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N. Yemen rocked anew by tremors

SANAA, Dec. 30 (R) — A series of strong earthquakes shook North Yemen Thursday, damaging houses and sending thousands of people fleeing from their homes only weeks after a violent earthquake hit the country killing 3,000 people.

The tremors jolted houses across hundreds of square kilometers, from the capital down to the South Yemeni border.

One of them measured four on the Richter scale, according to Sanaa radio, and was followed by two or three light tremors.

The official Saudi Press Agency said a health center in Dhamar province, where the Dec. 13 quake hit, had treated a number of slightly injured residents, but Sanaa radio said there were no reports of deaths.

The agency said a village was destroyed, but officials said information was difficult to get from the area of remote mountain hamlets. A big international relief operation is already under way to aid survivors of the earlier quake which officials said Thursday had claimed 3,000 lives and injured 5,000.

Residents in Sanaa said people from Dhamar were pouring into the capital to seek shelter. But in Sanaa itself, thousands of people fled from their homes as the pre-dawn tremors struck.

In Taiz, a town of about 100,000 people some 120 kilometers south of Sanaa, residents told Reuters by telephone the tremors shook buildings and some reports said they were felt as far away as the South Yemeni border.

According to a report from New Delhi, a severe earthquake lasting 10 seconds rocked Gubani, the Assam state capital on the northeastern frontier Thursday afternoon.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) reported that another milder one followed nearly two hours later.

Manila was also rocked by a moderate earthquake but authorities said there were no immediate reports of damage or casualties.

Besides Manila and Subic, the quake also was felt in Baguio city.



THE VICTORY YELL: England skipper Bob Willis (right) and all-rounder Ian Botham leap in joy after the Australian innings folded in Melbourne on Thursday four runs short of the victory target keeping England's Ashes hopes alive.

England's dramatic win

MELBOURNE, Dec. 30 (AP) — England snatched a dramatic three-run victory over Australia at the Melbourne Cricket Ground Thursday to keep the Ashes series alive and equal the smallest ever winning margin between the two countries.

The previous Test decided by three runs was at Manchester in 1902 when Australia beat England.

England, 2-1 down in the series, now have a chance to retain the Ashes with a win in the fifth and final Test starting at the Sydney Cricket ground next Sunday.

Australia, chasing 292 for victory, was finally dismissed for 288 when Jeff Thomson was caught by Geoff Miller in the slips off the bowling of Ian Botham for 21. The wicket gave Botham the 1,000 runs and 100 wickets double in Tests against Australia.

Allan Border remained not out on 62 after a magnificent 230 minute innings which went within an ace of bringing Australia victory.

Japan hikes defense budget

TOKYO, Dec. 30 (AP) — The Japanese government decided late Wednesday to raise the defense budget in fiscal year 1983 by 6.5 percent, a rate of increase that far outstrips spending boosts on welfare programs but may not be enough to satisfy U.S. demands for greater Japanese defense efforts.

Members of the cabinet and leaders of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, in a hastily-called meeting, overruled because of "political considerations" the finance ministry, which earlier in the day had set the defense budget increase at 5.6 percent.

The Japan Broadcasting Corporation (NHK) said the conservative LDP was determined to show the United States, Japan's chief strategic ally, that it will carry out its commitment to improve its small defense force. Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, head of the LDP, is to meet U.S. President Ronald Reagan in Washington on Jan. 18.

The national budget for the year beginning next April, to be formally approved by the cabinet Thursday and passed by the parliament early next year, is expected to call for spending of 50.38 trillion yen (\$210 billion), up only 1.4 percent from 1982 for the lowest increase in 28 years.

The Nakasone government has pledged to cut the government's budget deficits, but in 1983 it will still have to offer about 13 trillion yen, or 26 percent of the entire budget, in deficit-covering bonds.

Increased defense spending has come under sharp fire from the Japan Socialist Party and other opposition parties because it is accompanied by little or no extra yen for national pension and other welfare spending and a freeze in wage increases for government employees.

The defense budget for fiscal 1983 will be 2,754 trillion yen (\$11.475 billion), up from 2,586 trillion yen (\$10.775 billion) in the current fiscal year.

The rate of increase is down from the 7.35 percent increase originally requested by the defense agency and the 7.75 percent jump in spending this year.

Racial violence sweeps Miami

MIAMI, Dec. 30 (AP) — Rioting broke out again in the black ghetto of Overtown here Wednesday night after a young black man shot in the head by police Tuesday night died in hospital.

The shooting of 21-year-old Nweli Johnson, an armed suspect, during a routine police check of a pool hall frequented by drug dealers sparked riots Tuesday night in which one person was killed and seven were wounded. The violence and looting were the worst since the race riots of May, 1980, in which 18 people died.

Police Wednesday used tear gas to disperse protesters throwing Molotov cocktails and rocks when rioting broke out for the second night in a row. Rioters set cars on fire and police sealed off all roads into the ghetto.

The national guard was put on alert in anticipation of new clashes between ghetto residents and police.

Earlier in the day, black residents attacked white journalists and destroyed several of their cars. Witnesses said that 20 blacks tried to strip a white woman in the street but she escaped, half-naked, and took refuge in an apartment.

Police said that Johnson — indicted in his hospital bed for illegal possession of a weapon — was shot when he made a sudden movement while being arrested.

But witnesses disagreed. A cousin of his said the young man gave in right away, made no attempt to reach for his weapon, and put both hands on top of the video game he had been playing.

An adolescent who said he saw the incident gave a similar version.

Lebanon stands firm

Agenda issue bogs withdrawal talks

KIRYAT SHMONA, Israel, Dec. 30 (Agencies) — Israel and Lebanon held a second round of talks in this north Israeli frontier town Thursday but continued haggling over what the negotiations will cover.

Both sides sat down with American mediators for three hours. But they failed to agree on whether their talks aimed at securing withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon, should include negotiations on normalizing relations between the two countries, conference sources said.

A brief official statement said "further progress was made" in breaking the agenda deadlock, but some questions remained unresolved.

Conference sources said disagreement centered on Israel's insistence that the talks should make the normalization of relations a major goal. "The atmosphere is good but we're still haggling over what to talk about," one source said.

Lebanon and Israel opened talks in the Lebanese seaside resort of Khalde last Tuesday after U.S. envoys had spent months trying to bring them together. The next round will be held in Khalde Monday, the statement said.

Israel wants an agreement only a step away from a peace treaty. But Lebanon, concerned it will be shunned by the Arab world if it gets too close to Israel, does not want the word normalization on the agenda.

Conference sources said U.S. special envoy Morris Draper, who heads the American delegation, made several suggestions for solving the agenda dispute but failed to get agreement.

Lebanon is determined to refuse "normalization of relations" with Israel as part of a deal, on the withdrawal of foreign armies, state radio reported Thursday.

However, the state radio quoted an unnamed government official as saying Lebanon was willing to discuss "future relations with Israel" within the framework of the 1949 Armistice Agreement between the two countries.

The official was quoted as saying this "unalterable position" was taken by a Lebanese cabinet session held under President Amin Gemayel Wednesday. Gemayel met after the cabinet session with Draper.

The state-run radio and television said Gemayel conveyed to Draper Lebanon's decision to refuse to discuss normalization of relations as part of the agenda for the withdrawal talks.

Israel's chief negotiator, David Kimche, rejected in the opening session of the talks in Khalde last Tuesday Lebanon's contention that future relations should be discussed within the framework of the 1949 Armistice Agreement.

The Beirut delegation, headed by veteran diplomat Antoine Fattal, flew here by helicopter and was greeted by hundreds of schoolchildren bearing banners calling for peace.

A stony-faced Fattal took part in the traditional ceremony of "breaking bread" before sitting down with the Israeli and American delegations at a large round table in the Beit Edelstein Community center.

Fattal quietly thanked local officials for his welcome, but said nothing to encourage hopes voiced by Israeli delegation leader David Kimche when he told the crowd that Israel wanted close relations with Lebanon.

Washington wants to get all foreign forces — Israeli, Syrian and PLO — out of Lebanon, but Israel is demanding special security arrangements in former PLO strongholds in South Lebanon, including Israeli-manned warning posts.

Conference sources said the Lebanese clearly prefer that Americans, not Israelis, staff the posts. The talks appear to be moving slowly because the two low-level delegations are constantly referring back to their governments.

Egypt wary of Israel's arms might

CAIRO, Dec. 30 (AP) — Egypt is wary of the steady growth of Israel's military strength despite its peace treaty with Egypt and is "fully alert" against any preemptive Israeli military strike, Defense Minister Abdul-Halim Abu-Ghazala said in remarks published Thursday.

But Abu-Ghazala also told a joint session of parliament's foreign relations, Arab affairs and national security committees Wednesday night that Egypt does not feel threatened now by Israel's nuclear arms.

A summary of his remarks was carried by Thursday's late editions of the newspapers *Al-Ahram* and *Al-Akhar*.

In discussing Egypt's relations with neighboring Libya, Abu-Ghazala said the Soviet Union currently was building "lines of defense fortifications" along the Libyan border with Egypt.

He said there was no tension at present between Egypt and Libya but the problem was "the aspirations of Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi who seeks to stir up disturbances and instability while we seek stability."

Noting that Egypt was developing its military strength only to deter aggression, Abu-Ghazala said: "Our military strategy is based on the steady growth of military strength in various parts of the region such as Israel, Libya, Syria and South Yemen as well as developments (in the war) between Iraq and Iran."

"Israel is growing militarily in a noticeable way despite the peace treaty," he said. "We view this with caution because Israel is basing its policy on military superiority over the Arab states as a whole. In so doing, it continues to pursue a policy of force."

Fake dollar dumping to Gulf busted

MANILA, Dec. 30 (AP) — Labor Minister Blas Ople said a Philippine-based syndicate is counterfeiting U.S. dollars for distribution through Filipino workers in the Gulf.

Ople, at a year-end news conference Wednesday, said one member of the ring had been arrested. He did not say whether any equipment or counterfeit bills had been confiscated, nor how many fake dollars had been exported.

He said the gang was based in the province of Zambales, 80 kms northwest of Manila. Ople said a similar syndicate was caught sending fake dollars to Vietnam during the Vietnam war.

The metro *Manila Times* quoted intelligence reports Thursday as saying several counterfeit American dollars printed in the Philippines had surfaced in the Gulf where thousands of Filipinos hold construction jobs.

Milk extinguishes fire

MELBOURNE, Dec. 30 (R) — A milk tanker driver used his load to douse a car which caught fire in a road accident about 280 kms (170 miles) east on here, police said Thursday.

The tanker driver who came across the accident immediately coupled up a hose to his milk tank. A police spokesman said "it put the fire out quickly but the smell afterwards was something else."

Spaniards seize Iran-bound arms

MADRID, Dec. 30 (AFP) — Spain has seized 11.5 tons of arms being illegally shipped from Argentina to Iran, saying their release was subject to unspecified conditions put to Tehran, a reliable source has said.

Spain's foreign ministry ordered the shipment held after it landed aboard an Argentine airliner Dec. 20 at Madrid-Barajas airport, where it was to have been transferred to an air Iran plane for Tehran.

The foreign ministry authorized release of the shipment on Dec. 23 but stipulated no departure date.

On Tuesday the ministry suspended that authorization, basing release on "a series of condition and guarantees which have been demanded of Iran."

A source said the shipment lacked a transit permit, which the buyer — Iran — should have procured from Spain. The cargo is said to consist of 5,000 Browning 9-mm automatic pistols and 60 heavy anti-aircraft machine guns.

Portugal coalition collapse imminent

LISBON, Dec. 30 (R) — President Antonio Ramalho Eanes was under growing pressure Thursday to call early general elections after one of the main leaders of Portugal's ruling right-wing alliance stormed out of the coalition.

Deputy Premier Diogo Freitas do Amaral Wednesday night resigned as head of the Christian Democrats, the coalition's junior partners, and said he was leaving the alliance government.

The surprise move by the Christian Democrat leader spelled the end of the coalition. The alliance has ruled Portugal for the last three years.

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Finnish cabinet resigns

HELSINKI, Dec. 30 (AFP) — The 10-month-old center-left coalition cabinet of Social Democrat Premier Kalevi Sorsa resigned Thursday after a split over the defense budget.

The 52-year-old Sorsa, chairman of the Finnish Social Democrat Party, submitted his resignation to President Mauno Koivisto who asked him to form a new center-left government, however without the Communists.

The Communists, one of the four parties in the cabinet, Wednesday voted against the government's defense budget, which is one of the smallest in Europe.

The budget, some 4,200 million Finnish marks (about \$780 million) was nevertheless approved by an overwhelming majority and with the support of the opposition conservatives.

After his talks with the president Thursday afternoon, Sorsa said he hopes to be able to form the new cabinet by Thursday night. The new government could then be appointed by the president Friday.

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Gen. Shuaibi dies

RIYADH, Dec. 30 (SPA) — The commander of the western region, General Mansour Al-Shuaibi, died Thursday, the defense and aviation ministry announced.

In an obituary statement, the ministry sent its condolences to King Fahd, commander of the Saudi Armed Forces, and to the family of the late general.

Funeral prayers were said for him at the Grand Mosque here Thursday afternoon, the statement said.

Everest hero death confirmed

KATMANDU, Dec. 30 (AFP) — The Nepalese ministry of tourism Thursday officially announced the death on Mount Everest of Japanese climbers Yasuo Kato and Toshiaki Kobayashi.

The ministry announcement said confirmation of the deaths of the climbers had come from Yoshimasa Sasaki at the Everest base camp, who said the two had frozen to death.

Kato reached the summit alone Monday to become the first man to climb the world's highest mountain in winter. It was the third time he had reached the summit.

Kobayashi did not reach the summit because of exhaustion and increasing darkness.

Sasaki, radioed the Nepalese tourism ministry from the Everest base camp at 11:00 a.m. (0520 GMT) Thursday that both Kato and Kobayashi were "frozen to death" on the night of Dec. 27 and 28 due to lack of oxygen and proper high altitude gear.

The two climbers had only 14 hours oxygen when they set out on their bid for the summit Monday.

After the Nepalese liaison officer read the official death report, Sasaki said, "they are no more...no more."

A radio report from the base camp at the 5,400 meter level said the five surviving expedition members, all Japanese, and their guides would come off the mountain Thursday and all but two would leave for Katmandu Saturday. It was not clear why two intended to stay behind.

The ministry of tourism described Kato as one of the "foremost climbers of the world," and expressed "deep sorrow" over the disappearance of Kato and Kobayashi.

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Saudi livestock company starts shipping operation from Australia in Feb.

By Amro Hafez

RIYADH, Dec. 30 — New ships belonging to the Saudi Arabian Livestock Transport and Trade Company will operate between the various continents to satisfy the local markets' needs. *Ashary Al-Awsat* reported Thursday. The first such ship will start carrying livestock between Saudi Arabia and Australia as of Feb. 1. The vessel will carry 100,000 head of cattle, 90 refrigerated containers and 5,000 tons of grain on each trip. It will make eight such trips every year.

The company's director general Abdul Aziz Al-Dakheel said that the company, which has only one vessel, plans to have three vessels by the beginning of 1983. It also wants to have a commercial line between Somalia and Sudan and also to cross Turkey, Syria and Iraq. The ships will operate at Dammam and Jeddah ports, while land fleets will consist of 25 trailers to carry livestock within the Kingdom, each with a capacity of 400 head.

Dakheel said that the firm will have three farms in Riyadh for the Central Province, Jeddah for the Western Province and Dammam for the Eastern Province which can accommodate 60,000 livestock in Riyadh and 100,000 livestock in Jeddah and Dammam. It will bring down the price of meat for the Saudi Arabian consumer. If cooperation with the usual meat markets in the Kingdom does not prove successful, the company will try to reach the consumer directly.

After the second ship goes into operation, the company will cover about 60 percent of the Australian meat requirements of the Kingdom's market. According to Commerce Ministry statistics, 5,563,000 head of cattle arrived in the Kingdom from Australia alone; 1,800,000 from Sudan; 843,000 from Somalia; 315,000 from Turkey and 900,000 from Syria. The shipments from Syria and Turkey arrived by road. The land fleet will pass through Iraq, Turkey and Syria.

The company is planning to engage in the

Tunisian premier hails GCC's role

TUNIS, Dec. 30 (SPA) — Tunisian Prime Minister Muhammad Mzali reaffirmed his country's support of the constructive role played by the Gulf Cooperation Council. Mzali made the comment during a meeting with GCC Secretary General Abdullah Bishara, who is currently visiting Tunisia.

Mzali and Bishara reviewed the principles upon which the GCC was established and the council's directives to serve the Gulf citizen and his ambitions. The Tunisian premier stressed his country's backing to any step which further consolidates ties between Arab countries.

GCC secretariat, Qatar relations discussed

DOHA, Dec. 30 (SPA) — Qatari State Minister for Foreign Affairs Sheikh Ahmad bin Seif Al-Thani received Wednesday Assistant Secretary General of the Gulf Cooperation Council for Political Affairs Ibrahim Al-Sobhi. The GCC official arrived here Tuesday night on a two-day visit to Qatar.

Sheikh Ahmad and Sobhi discussed relations between the GCC Secretariat General and Qatar and other topics related to the council. Sobhi's visit to Qatar is the second leg in a tour of member states in the GCC. He had already visited the United Arab Emirates.

Gulf health ministers meet Monday

RIYADH, Dec. 30 (SPA) — The health ministers in the Gulf states will meet here next Monday.

During the four-day meeting, ministers will discuss various technical topics like preventive services, coordination of an anti-malaria campaign, hospitals contamination and producing joint documents.

Also on the agenda are issues like treatment of patients abroad, health planning, unified strategy for purchasing medicine and doctors salaries.

Participants in the meeting include the health ministers in the Kingdom, Iraq, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar.

Kingdom confirms signing plant deal with Japanese firm

BAHRAIN, Dec. 30 (R) — Saudi Arabia confirmed Thursday that it has signed an agreement for a Japanese firm to build a petrochemicals plant following the withdrawal of the American company Dow Chemical from the project.

The Saudi Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) said in a statement that the agreement covered the design, engineering, procurement and construction of an ethane cracker to be built for a SABIC affiliate, Petrokemya, in Jubail on the east coast.



Dr. Ghazi Algosaihi

Health Ministry punishes law-breakers

RIYADH, Dec. 30 (SPA) — Acting health minister Dr. Ghazi Algosaihi issued here Wednesday decisions to punish some doctors for bypassing the ministry's regulations. One doctor in the Al-Safah area here was fined SR10,000 for allowing one of his friends, who is unlicensed, to use his clinic for treating patients and levying lavish amounts of fees from them. The doctor was warned that his license will be withdrawn should he repeated such incident.

Dr. Lutfi Antaki here was fined too SR10,000 and had his clinic closed for two

weeks because of the decline in his professional standards and lack of basic equipment in his clinic. Moreover, the decision forces him to return SR4,000 taken illegally from a citizen. The doctor used to charge his patients SR100 for check-up, while he was entitled for SR50 only.

Moreover, the owner of Hamada Drug Store Rabbi Ahmad Hussein Hamada was fined SR10,000 and had been warned of withdrawing his license because some of his medicines were out of date.

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Fajr (Dawn)	5:33	5:40	5:12	5:02	5:27	6:01
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:24	12:24	11:56	11:43	12:07	12:37
Asr (Afternoon)	3:28	3:24	2:55	2:39	3:03	3:29
Maghreb (Sunset)	5:50	5:45	5:16	4:59	5:23	5:49
Isha (Night)	7:20	7:45	6:46	6:29	6:53	7:19

Mission visiting Jan. 6

By Devadas Kini
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Dec. 30 — A Gulf trade mission on electric power sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce consisting of 12 representatives from companies manufacturing and marketing a variety of electric power generation, transmission, and distribution products, equipment and services will be visiting Riyadh for four days from Jan. 6.

The group will explore direct sales, contract agreements, distributorships, agency arrangements, joint ventures, and licensing arrangements, according to Donald Trader, commercial officer attached to U.S. Embassy Liaison Office in Riyadh.

He told *Arab News* that the trade mission will be led by Les Gardan, an international trade specialist for alternate energy systems. The mission will be briefed on the electrification programs of the Kingdom by the officials of SCECO Central (Saudi Consolidated Electric Co. — Central Region) and Central Electric Corporation of the Ministry of Industry and Electricity.

The Embassy Liaison Office has sent invitations to meet the mission members to selected 800 Saudi companies. "Response has been very good," he said.

The Chroner Corporation represented by George D. Self, director of energy operations, he said, is the first U.S. firm to commercially market thin film amorphous silicon photovoltaic modules, arrays and technology. It has recently announced the sale of its technology and equipment to a Moroccan private company to build a photovoltaic module production facility with an annual production capacity of 20 megawatts of solar photovoltaic power.

Expat teachers' survey sought

JEDDAH, Dec. 30 — Education Minister Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khuwaiter has asked all educational zones in Saudi Arabia to inform the ministry of the number of expatriate teachers they need, *Al-Jazirah* reported. Teachers whose secondment period has expired will be surveyed.

Egyptian, Jordanian and Syrian teachers working in Saudi Arabia to accompany their wives who are also teachers, will have their contract terminated if their wives have spent four years or their contract has expired, according to the instructions of their countries' education ministries.

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The other members of the mission are: Robert A. Dickle, vice president, Gilbert/ Commonwealth International Inc., which provides engineering services; James A. Jodice, vice president, marketing, Doble Engineering Co. which has been supplying special test equipment and engineering services to the electric power industry; Derek N.R. Taylor, director, international marketing, Riley Stoker Corporation which is one of the four leading U.S. manufacturers of steam generation equipment systems, including utility, industrial and refuse systems, fluidized bed-boilers, and associated equipment systems for burning oil, gas, coal and other fuels; John A. Porter, manager, product and market management, Solar Turbines Incorporated (a subsidiary of Caterpillar Tractor Co.), a manufacturer of industrial gas turbines in the 500 hp to 20,000 hp sizes; and David R.C. Tan, president, Edison-Hubbard Corporation.

Americans aid raid victims

RIYADH, Dec. 30 — American businessmen here have donated 500 large boxes of garments and other aid in kind to victims of the Israeli raids on Lebanon and to Lebanese and Palestinians who survived the genocide at the Sabra and Chatilla refugee camps in that country, *Al-Jazirah* reported Thursday.

The aid was channelled to the survivors through Riyadh Chamber of Commerce along with 650 blankets for the chilly winter nights in the wilderness.



Saleh Al-Tuaimi



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS: The Royal Nepalese Embassy arranged a reception at the ambassador's residence in Jeddah on Wednesday to celebrate the birthday of Nepal King Birendra. Ambassador Kedar Prasad Kohra, left, is seen receiving Protocol Chief Salem Sainul.

Saleh Al-Tuaimi, the chamber's director general made the necessary arrangements for the relief aid to be sent to Beirut by road. The Red Crescent in Beirut will distribute the clothes.

Particularly generous was the staff of Northrop Company who gave 85 boxes of clothes and blankets. The American Telephone and Telex Company offered 50 blankets and provided money to buy 750 more. The U.S. Corps of Engineering filed some 71 boxes and handed them over to the chamber. Jack Browning of Osco made an individual donation of 50 boxes full of tea and 78 boxes of items.

Dutch bid to help UNICEF work

Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Dec. 30 — Mrs. Yvonne Breman wife of the Netherlands Ambassador, and her husband will see Prince Talal, president of ACFUND and special envoy of the United Nations Children's Fund Sunday to discuss with him humanitarian activities to further the cause of UNICEF. Mrs. Breman has been working as a UNICEF volunteer for the last 12 years. She has effectively contributed to the sales of UNICEF greeting cards this year.

Dammam, Qatif water projects being reviewed

DAMMAM, Dec. 30 (SPA) — General of Eastern Province Water Department Abdullah Babtain conducted an inspection-tour here and in Qatif Wednesday accompanied by senior officials.

The purpose of the tour was to review progress on various projects currently underway. Moreover, Babtain declared that his department had completed the study of Qatif water project, which will supply the whole area of its needs of water when completed.

Registration announced

DAMMAM, Dec. 30 (SPA) — Registration for the third evening sessions of the vocational training center will begin here Saturday. The courses will cover mechanics, electricity, commerce, welding and other relevant topics. Applicants should be Saudi Arabians, between 17 and 50 with at least an elementary certificate. The course will last five months. Some 200 students will be graduated from the centers next month.

BRIEFS

Zia, Chatti meet
ISLAMABAD, (SPA) — Pakistani president General Muhammad Zia Ul-Haq met here Wednesday with Habib Chatti, secretary-general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC). During the meeting issues facing the Islamic world were discussed, particularly the Afghanistan problem, the Middle East and the Iraqi war. Chatti also discussed with the Pakistani leader ways of re-activating the mediation committee in the Gulf war.

Efforts welcomed
AMMAN, (SPA) — A Jordanian newspaper has welcomed the Kingdom's effort to improve inter Arab relations and consolidate Arab solidarity. *Akhbar Al-Osba* went on to say that the Kingdom is qualified to play such a role because it enjoys the trust of all parties and it applies a quite diplomacy that works toward settling disputes which undermines Arab position.

Muslim delegation
MAKKAH, (SPA) — Deputy secretary-general of Muslim World League

Ali Mukhtar met here Wednesday with an Islamic delegation from China. The meeting discussed establishing a memorial library to be named after late King Faisal and two mosques at an estimated cost of \$4 million.

New SAPTCO terminal
JEDDAH, — The Saudi Public Transport Company (SAPTCO) will open a new terminal at Al-Hada to service passengers, seven times a day, of a line linking together, Taif, Hada, Makkah, Jeddah and Madinah, *Al-Jazirah* reported Thursday. The company is known to be gradually expanding its city and inter-city network.

Airline fined
JEDDAH, — A foreign airline had been forced by the Commerce Ministry's Consumer Protection Department to pay SR10,000 damages to a local firm which filed a complaint against the company, *Al-Musa'yyah* reported. The firm complained that the airline delayed a shipment of shoes to its destination, and the airline paid the fine in full.

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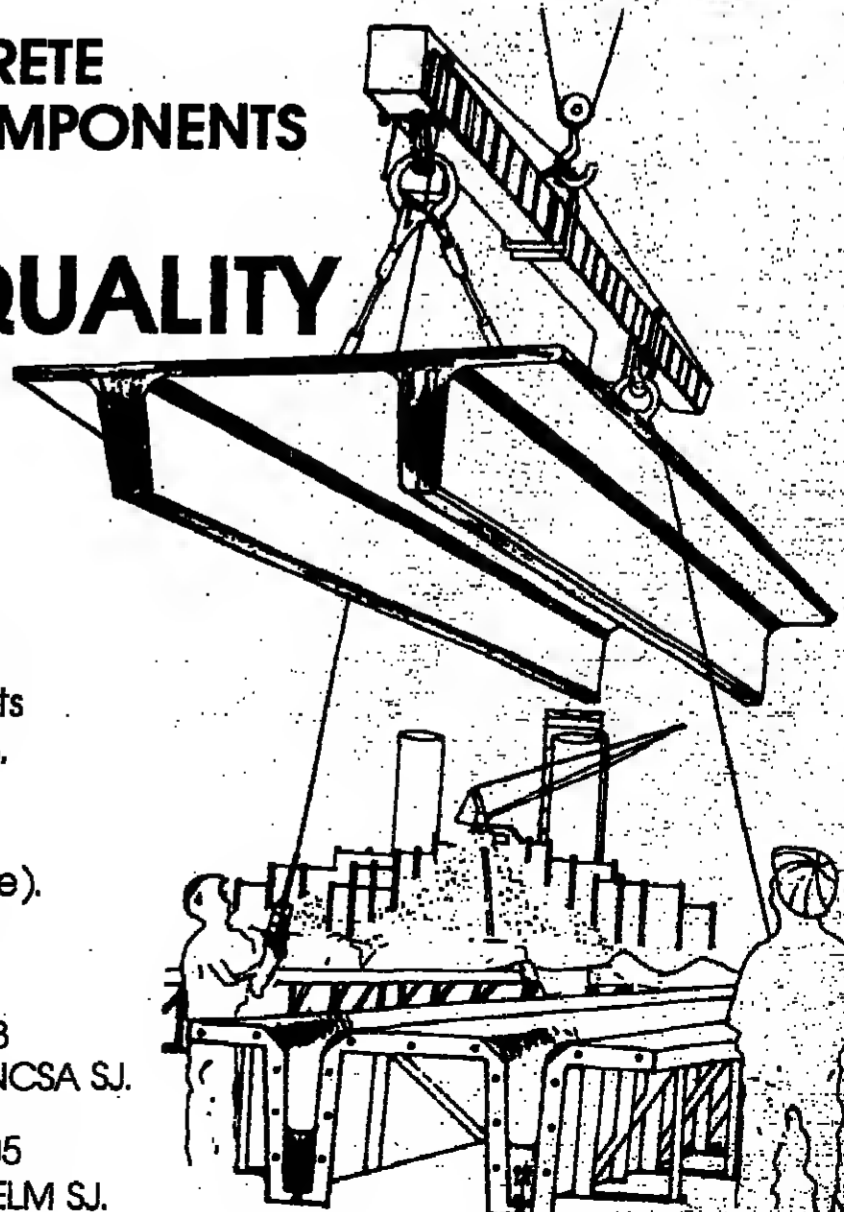
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Andropov dashes peace hopes -- Chatti

ISLAMABAD, Dec. 30 (AP) — Habib Chatti, secretary-general of the Organization of Islamic Conference said Thursday he saw no difference in Moscow's policy over Afghanistan since Yuri Andropov succeeded Leonid Brezhnev.

There had been hopes of some change with Andropov in power but "there has been nothing at all, we are where we were at the beginning," he said in an interview with Agence France-Presse.

Chatti has just visited four Islamic Asian countries — Indonesia, Malaysia, Bangladesh and Pakistan.

He said it was still too early to say whether a change in Soviet policy on Afghanistan "was just a question of time" or "whether the Kremlin has in fact already decided to follow the same policy as Brezhnev."

Afghanistan raps Reagan

NEW DELHI, Dec. 30 (AP) — Afghanistan's pro-Soviet government Wednesday night accused U.S. President Ronald Reagan of openly interfering in its internal affairs by providing arms and chemical weapons to the anti-Communist freedom fighters.

A communique broadcast by the Afghan government radio said Reagan's latest statement on Afghanistan "made clear his administration's intention to increase assistance to the Afghan freedom fighters and intensify the 'propaganda war'."

"American imperialism cannot achieve its aims through such games and gimmicks and the people of Afghanistan will not deviate from the path they have chosen," the statement said.

"They will continue on this road without fear and with strong resolve, regardless of the armed interference, the undeclared war and the assistance to criminal elements by the Americans," it added.

The broadcast said that while Reagan "the ruler of the so-called free world" had accused the Soviet Union of using chemical weapons in Afghanistan, "the truth is that it is the United States which uses chemical weapons against our armed forces and people."

7 Druze shot dead

BEIRUT, Dec. 30 (R) — The bodies of seven members of a Druze family, each shot twice in the head, were found Wednesday in the strife-ridden mountains southeast of Beirut, security sources said Thursday.

The mountains have been racked by sporadic clashes for over two months between Christian militiamen and fighters of the mainly Druze Progressive Socialist Party (PSP). The area has a mixed population of Christians and Druze.

most of the country, except for main towns, practically in the hands of the Mujahedeen."

International pressure for a withdrawal of Soviet troops stretched from Western to Third World countries "and even to some Socialist ones," he said.

Chatti believed the Soviet Union, faced with difficulties in Afghanistan and international pressure, would be unable "to support this situation for an unlimited period."

Chatti considered that in these conditions the Soviet Union "will end up by accepting the only possible way out — that is to say, the holding of an international conference on Afghanistan."

He said that President Muhammad Zia ul-Haq of Pakistan, whom he met for talks on Tuesday, was in favor of such a conference.

Chatti thought it should be attended by the powers and Afghanistan's neighbors, as well as countries friendly to the Soviet Union so that it would not be in a minority.

The conference would meet without prior conditions, and it would aim at guaranteeing Afghanistan from foreign interference.

At the same time all Afghans in the country, from Mujahedeen to President Babrak Karmal, would hold their own conference aimed at "national reconciliation."

On the Iran-Iraq war, Chatti said that "a new peace initiative was not easy" because both sides were a long way from any agreement.

He said he was nevertheless continuing his contacts with member countries of the Islamic conference's "peace committee," though he saw no date in sight for renewed direct contacts between Tehran and Baghdad "on the basis of new proposals."

Chatti stressed that "a military victory seems impossible for either country," and regretted that "the longer it goes on, the further away is peace." "We have never once seen the end of the tunnel" in peace moves, he added.

3 fighters get death sentence

ISLAMABAD, Dec. 30 (R) — Three Afghan fighters were sentenced to death by Afghanistan's special revolutionary court after admitting setting bombs in Kabul restaurants which killed 21 pro-Soviet activists. Radio Kabul said.

It said they had admitted belonging to the Gulbuddin resistance group. The sentence was final, the radio said.

Gulbuddin leads Hezbe Islami, an Afghan group based in Pakistan fighting the Soviet-backed government of Babrak Karmal.

Western diplomatic sources in Islamabad said last month that four bombs had exploded in three Kabul restaurants which they said were frequented by agents of the Afghan secret police and members of Parcham (flag) faction of the Ruling Peoples Democratic Party of Afghanistan.



MUJAHEDDEEN: Members of Afghan resistance movement walk through the rocky mountainous fighting area. Egyptian activists accused of attempting to overthrow the government of President Hosni Mubarak have requested the judge to allow them to join freedom fighters in Afghanistan.

Cairo defendants seek to join Kabul battle

CAIRO, Dec. 30 (AP) — One of the 300 Muslim activists on trial for plotting to overthrow the state asked the court Thursday to free him and the others to go to Afghanistan and fight "atheistic Communism."

Essam El-Kemary, a former major in the Egyptians Army's armored corps, told the court that "all Muslims should stand together" while making his request.

Chief Judge Abdul-Ghaffar Muhammad Ahmad made no reply to El-Kemary's appeal nor offered any indication he would treat the request seriously.

El-Kemary and the others have been charged with forming an underground organization, Al-Jihad (the struggle), which attempted to overthrow the government following the Oct. 6, 1981 assassination of President Anwar Sadat.

They are also accused of murder and attempted murder in attacks on police stations in the southern city of Assiut two days

Belgrade refuses asylum to Kurds

ROME, Dec. 30 (AP) — A group of Kurdish refugees from Iran were stranded Wednesday night at a Rome airport after being denied asylum in Yugoslavia, police and family members said.

A police official at Rome's Leonardo Da Vinci airport confirmed that a group from Iran was awaiting a flight back to Iran after coming from Communist Yugoslavia.

However, the official, who refused to give his name, said he could give no further information.

Dr. Khoshnaf Alkadi, a medical doctor in Blackburn, England, 25 miles northwest of Manchester, told the Associated Press in London that three members of his family are among the 35 Kurdish refugees at the Rome

airport.

He said the Kurds, who had been under guard in the Iranian capital of Tehran since August, were promised asylum in Yugoslavia by the Iranian government and were told that all the necessary visas would be arranged.

But when the refugees flew into Drubovnik, Yugoslavia, Dec. 25 authorities there refused to let them in, denying any arrangements had been made. Alkadi said.

Defendants have repeatedly claimed during the trial, which began Dec. 4, that they were subjected to beatings, rape and other humiliations during confinement.

The prosecution has submitted depositions from doctors who examined the defendants at their lawyers' request but the contents of the reports have not been disclosed.

After 48 hours they were flown to Rome where they were waiting a flight back to Tehran, the doctor said.

Arafat keen on direct talks with U.S., Israel

VIENNA, Dec. 30 (AP) — PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat was quoted Thursday as saying the Palestine Liberation Organization is seeking direct talks with the United States and Israel in a bid to resolve the Middle East conflict.

In an interview with the Vienna daily *Kurier*, the PLO leader said "we are, of course, aware that the United States is a superpower and have no illusions about its role."

"While I do not believe, as did (the late Egyptian President Anwar) Sadat, that America holds in its hand 99 percent of all cards in the Middle East drama, we still try to establish contact with the U.S."

Kurier reported the interview was given on the eve of Arafat's meeting outside Palma de Mallorca with vacationing Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky, a strong supporter of the Palestinian cause.

It was published in the wake of disclosures made by Kreisky and Abdullah Frangi, the PLO's representative in Bonn and Vienna, about past contacts, arranged by Kreisky, between the PLO and an Israeli opposition politician about the exchange of prisoners.

Arafat disclosed that former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger had met "a couple of times" with PLO representatives.

He said, "for my role in the evacuation from Beirut of U.S. citizens in 1976 I received from him via Egypt two letters of thanks."

Turkey deports Greek diplomat

ANKARA, Dec. 30 (AP) — Turkey has deported a Greek diplomat on charges of espionage, major Turkish dailies reported Thursday.

The reports, later confirmed by a foreign ministry spokesman, said Alexander Diamandis, an administrative attaché at the Greek consulate in the Aegean port city of Izmir, was deported last July after he was found taking pictures of military installations and holding clandestine meetings with an alleged Turkish informer. The foreign ministry spokesman declined to give any details. The Greek embassy here would not comment either.

The newspaper reports said Turkish security officials stalked Diamandis for eight months and caught him red-handed when he was receiving sensitive military information from a Turkish informer.

The informer was not identified, except by the initials A.K. Diamandis reportedly lured the man to work for him with a promise of a job in Western Europe, the papers claimed.

Well informed sources here said Thursday's story appeared to be a deliberate leak by some Turkish officials. It was presumed news of the incident was withheld from the press at the time because of a thaw in Turco-Greek relations.

But the PLO leader indicated he was still not prepared to recognize Israel without winning recognition for his group at the same time.

"Why should always the victim recognize the henchman?" He asked. "We are entitled to the precedence of justice, because our (Palestinian) rights have long been internationally recognized."

He added "world conscience is faced with a decisive question: Does it accept arrogance of power or principles of justice?" Arafat also said he sent his "best wishes" in the peace movement inside Israel.

He said "I stretch out my hand to the Israeli peace movement."

American peace plan doomed, Abourezk says

KUWAIT, Dec. 30 (AP) — Former U.S. Senator James Abourezk was quoted here Thursday as saying that President Ronald Reagan's Mideast peace proposals are "doomed, unless the (U.S.) administration pressured Israel."

"Reagan could put pressure on Israel by cancelling tax exemptions on financial donations by U.S. Jews to it," Abourezk told Kuwaiti reporters Wednesday night. An account of his meeting with these reporters was published by the newspaper *Al-Watan* Thursday. Abourezk is here as guest of the Arab-American Committee for combatting racial segregation.

The paper quoted him as saying that "since Eisenhower in 1956, there has not been a brave American president to pressure Israel." He claimed that "Israel still controls U.S. Mideast policy."

"Congress has voted to increase by \$510 million the U.S. aid to Israel," said Abourezk, of South Dakota. "It seemed like a reward for Israel's killing of thousands of Palestinians and Lebanese."

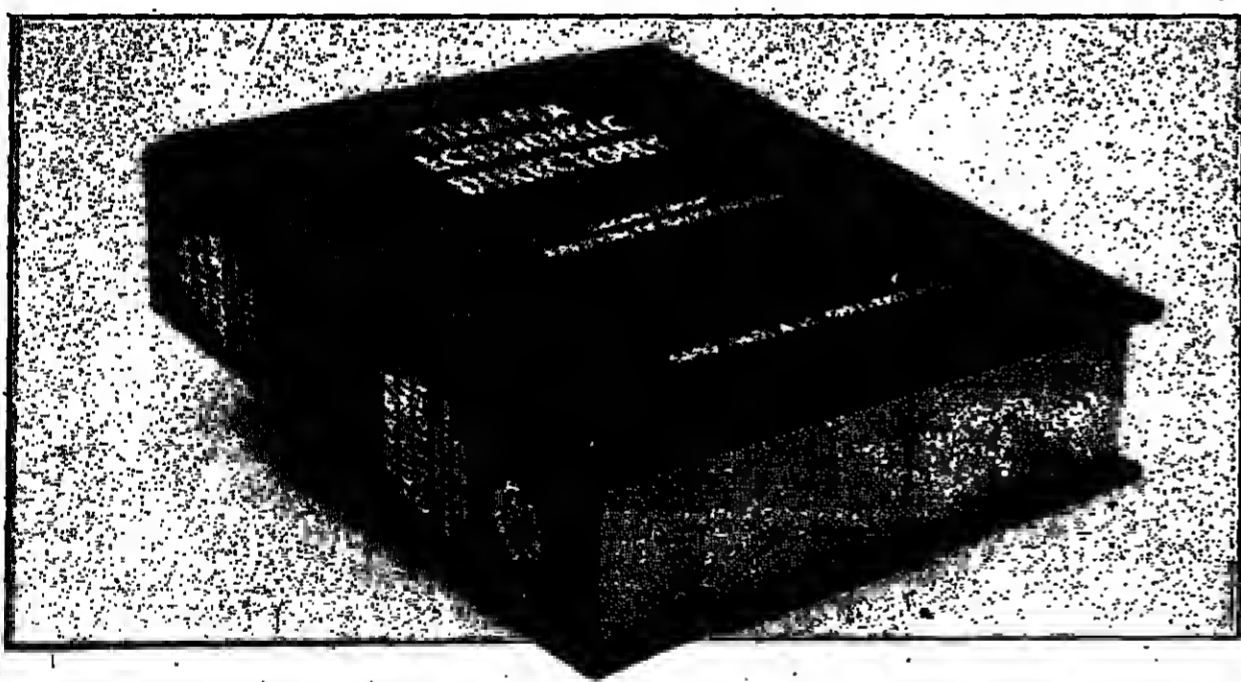
But he affirmed that Reagan will press on with his Mideast peace plan which, he said, "is aimed at bringing about the downfall of (Israeli Prime Minister Menachem) Begin."

Rebels claim 1,000

Khomeini men killed

LONDON, Dec. 30 (AP) — Anti-government forces killed more than 1,000 agents of Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini during the autumn and summer, Iranian resistance leader Ali Zarkesh claimed.

Zarkesh was quoted in a statement released Wednesday in London by the People's Mujahedeen Organization of Iran as saying more than 600 Khomeini agents were killed in Tehran alone. He claimed 28 of those killed were government commanders "and important agents of torture and execution."



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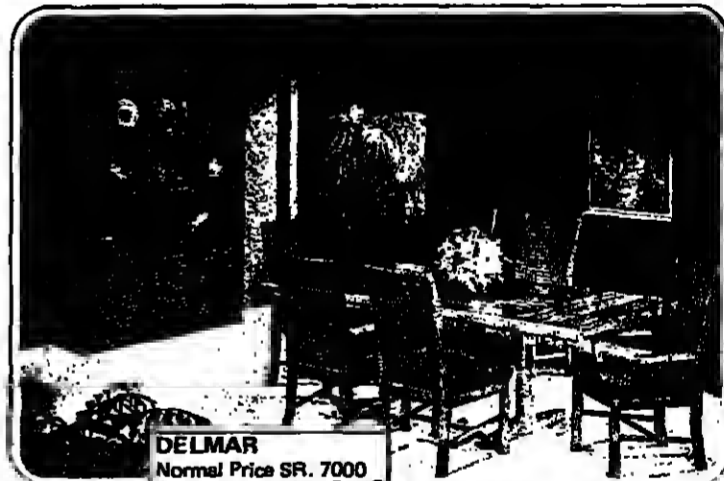
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Because of radical policies

Influential Nicaraguans abandoning Sandinistas

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Dec. 30 (AP) — An increasing number of influential people, many of whom helped the Sandinistas seize power in Nicaragua three years ago, are turning against the regime because of its radical policies.

Some like Eden Pastora, a top Sandinista fighter in the bloody one-year battle that toppled pro-U.S. President Anastasio Somoza in July 1979, actively want to overthrow the Sandinista regime, objecting to its crack-down on freedom and dissent. Most of the opponents say the Sandinistas have reneged on promises to set up a free, pluralistic society by trying to impose Marxism on the country and building up Nicaragua's armed forces with Soviet equipment and Cuban help.

They object to press censorship, the ruling three-man junta's growing control over the

economy, the jailing of dissident business leaders and restrictions on travel inside and outside the country. But the majority of these opponents say they are still revolutionaries and steer clear of the 17,000 pro-Somoza Nicaraguan exiles in Miami, Florida, neighboring Honduras and other Central American countries. About 2,500 of them were national guardsmen under the late Nicaraguan dictator. About 36,000 Nicaraguans live outside their homeland, which has about 2.5 million people.

The latest major defector is Francisco Fiallos, 36, the Nicaraguan ambassador to the United States. Fiallos quit Dec. 18, a week after government censors prohibited *La Prensa*, Nicaragua's only opposition newspaper, from publishing a controversial interview he gave to one of its reporters.

Salvador toll rises to 1,040

SAN SALVADOR, Dec. 30 (AP) — The defense ministry announced its casualty toll in clashes with leftist guerrillas during the first 11 months of 1982 — 1,040 troops dead and more than 2,800 wounded — as new battles kept the toll rising northeast of here Wednesday.

A National Guard commander said one soldier was wounded as the government bombed and strafed rebel positions with U.S.-made planes to counter a rebel attack. The commander said an undetermined number of guerrillas were killed in the air raids. A defense ministry spokesman said the official casualty report covered the months from January to November. The casualties amounted to 12.7 percent of the 33,000-man armed forces, but a U.S. Embassy spokesman said: "I don't think it's excessively high...you get eight, 10, 12 killed in an ambush and it adds up."

Leftist guerrillas are fighting to overthrow the U.S.-supported government here in a three-year-old civil war. The army has

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'Swedish Navy abetted sub escape'

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 30 (APF) — The Swedish Navy is now convinced that one or more foreign submarines were present last October in waters near the secret navy base on Muskö Island, south of Stockholm, a navy spokesman said Wednesday.

This opinion was based on photographs taken at the time which showed the "imprint" of a submarine on the floor of the Baltic Sea. The spokesman did not indicate the number of unknown intruders. But the Swedish press agency TT said two or three submarines "of a very special type" were present. The photos were being examined but will not be published, the spokesman said.

TT said that during the hunt near Muskö for the intruders, Swedish navy commanders Oct. 7 ordered a mine telecommand post "to close down" for three hours, during which time a submarine escaped. Citing sources close to the Swedish military command, TT said it did not know if the post was closed to let the intruder escape or if it was a mistake. A defense department spokesman said he knew the station had been temporarily ordered not to activate mines, but he refused

further comment. Also, a request Oct. 7 from a helicopter to take action against a submarine it had spotted by hydrophone was not granted by the military command, TT said.

Observers noted that Social Democrat Olof Palme took office on Oct. 7, at which time political sources in Stockholm were concerned the "submarine" affair was about to become an international incident. From Oct. 8 on, military sources spoke more and more frequently about a possible escape by the submarine, and the search slowed down. Parliamentary and military investigating committees were expected to have their reports on the incident ready by March 1983. Naval authorities were already certain that "at least one" submarine had left characteristic traces about 20-meters long near Muskö in October.

While the nationality of the submarines has not been determined, the press wrote this week about a Christmas "fishing expedition" in which Soviet diplomats posted in Stockholm brought home a catch of 25 kgs from waters near the Muskö base.

Nepal pardon benefits 199

KATMANDU, Dec. 30 (AP) — The government declared an amnesty for 199 persons serving prison terms Wednesday on the occasion of the 37th birthday of King Birendra.

The main birthday function this year took place at Dhankuta, about 200 kilometers east of Katmandu, where the Harvard University-educated King and Queen Aiswarya were staying during a three-week tour of east Nepal. An address of felicitations describing the institution of monarchy as a perennial source of inspiration for the nation was presented to the king by the 303-member birthday celebration committee chairman on behalf of the people at ceremonies held in an open theater in the town.

According to reports from Dhankuta, thousands of people living in the area have flocked to the city — the hometown of Prime Minister Surya Bahadur Thapa — since the royal couple's arrival Monday. After succeeding to the throne upon his father King Mahendra's death a decade ago, King Birendra has made an annual trip to various remote parts of this nearly roadless country by plane, helicopter, and on horseback and on foot to meet the people and learn their problems.

The annual birthday celebration takes place alternatively in the capital city of Katmandu or in some other part of the country.

2,392 E. Germans escape to West

BONN, Dec. 30 (AP) — The West German Interior Ministry says that 2,392 persons, some scaling guarded walls or slipping through mined fields, have escaped from East Germany this year. Among them were 269 "barrier breakers" who got past mines and guards along the countries' 1,375 kms border.

Others were smuggled out of the country in cars or ships, used forged passports, or went to other Eastern Bloc countries and escaped from them, the government said Tuesday. The 2,392 who fled were among a total of 12,184 East Germans who came to live in West Germany during 1982, the spokesman said.

The others were either given permission to emigrate by the East German government or were East German prisoners whose release to West Germany was arranged by the two governments, the spokesman said. Both the number of escapes and the total number of East Germans coming to West Germany were down from 1981. In that year, 15,433 East Germans came to live in West Germany, among them 2,900 persons who left East Germany without permission.

Sihanouk has doubts on Khmer Rouge links

SINGAPORE, Dec. 30 (R) — Prince Norodom Sihanouk has expressed doubt over his continued collaboration with the Peking-backed Khmer Rouge in a Kampuchean coalition of anti-Vietnamese resistance groups. *The Straits Times* reported Thursday.

The newspaper said the prince, who heads the tripartite coalition formed in June with the support of Singapore and its partners in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), made the statement in a letter to his followers. Writing from the North Korean capital of Pyongyang, Prince Sihanouk said China's attempts to boost the Khmer Rouge and lack of military aid for his own non-Communist Moulinaka faction had made it difficult for him to continue as coalition president.

Peru orders armed forces to control mountain area

LIMA, Dec. 30 (R) — Peruvian President Fernando Belaunde Terry Wednesday night ordered the armed forces to take control of three Andes Mountain provinces where left-wing guerrillas have been clashing with security forces.

A government communique said the president had taken the decision after the Maoist Sendero Luminoso (shining path) movement had ignored a 72-hour presidential ultimatum to lay down their arms. "After all goodwill efforts had been exhausted to induce seditious elements to observe the law and definitely end their subversive action, the president was forced to take this action," the interior ministry communique said.

It added the military would take over in the Ayacucho, Apurimac and Huancavelica provinces where the Sendero Luminoso has been most active. Last week, the govern-

ment airlifted 400 troops into Ayacucho to back up paramilitary police fighting the guerrillas and on Monday trained guerrilla warfare soldiers were sent in.

President Belaunde's decision to employ troops in combating guerrillas had come as a surprise as he feared that military intervention would place the armed forces in a position to stage a coup similar to the one which toppled him in 1968, political sources said. But there was mounting pressure from rightwing parliamentarians for forceful action to stamp out the guerrilla violence that was threatening Peru's 21-month-old democracy, they added.

Authorities blame Sendero Luminoso for the death of 36 policemen and 75 civilians this year. War Minister Luis Cisneros told reporters Tuesday that people were dying because of the disruptive action of the guerrillas.

Talks on territorial dispute

Venezuela hails Guyana proposal

CARACAS, Dec. 30 (AP) — Venezuela has received with satisfaction a statement by Guyanese Foreign Minister Rashleigh Jackson that his country favors negotiations with Venezuela to resolve peacefully a territorial dispute between them. Foreign Minister Jose Alberto Zambrano said here Wednesday.

"We have read this statement with interest," Zambrano told reporters before attending a cabinet meeting. But he said that Rashleigh's statement was not official and was given only to the press. Jackson said the two countries should be ready at the beginning of next year to resolve peacefully the dispute through a

1966 agreement they signed in Geneva.

He said the Guyanese minister's statement was akin to the Venezuelan position. "We have always maintained that negotiations are the best means of resolving differences and finding a practical solution," he added. Venezuela is claiming more than 50,000 square miles of territory in the Essequibo region awarded to Britain in 1899 by an international tribunal.

Guyana and Venezuela have not yet reached an agreement on how to settle the dispute over two thirds of territory now administered by Guyana.

Zimbabwe names 1st. black air chief

HARARE, Dec. 30 (R) — The Zimbabwe government has appointed its first black senior air force commander.

A government statement issued Wednesday night named army Maj.-Gen. Josiah Tungamirai, 34, who had been responsible for army operations and training, as an air vice-marshal. The statement said his appointment was part of a program to Africanize the air force, dominated by whites before and since Rhodesia became independent Zimbabwe in 1980.

They were seized after 13 combat planes were blown up at Zimbabwe's main air force base near the midlands city of Gweru, about 200 kilometers from Harare.

Rebels kill 554 Namibian troops

LISBON, Dec. 30 (AP) — Pro-Western rebels fighting the Marxist government of Angola have claimed their forces penetrated the country's northern regions for the first time and wiped out an entire motorized brigade in the south, according to a report released here Wednesday.

A military statement of Jonas Savimbi's National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) distributed to journalists in Lisbon claimed the group's guerrillas carried out 340 separate actions against the Angolan government in the past week, killing 554 army regulars and 70 Cuban troops. The

statement, dated Dec. 27 and signed by UNITA Chief-of-Staff Brig. Demostenes Amos Chilinguita, listed 10 alleged actions in the provinces of Bie, Huambo, Cuanza Norte, Cuanza Sul, Moxico and Cuando Cubango.

African diplomatic sources in Lisbon, who asked to remain anonymous, expressed serious doubts in the UNITA claims. "These numbers simply aren't believable," they said. "According to the rebel statement, UNITA forces penetrated the northern province of Uige, for the first time."

Andropov, Cuban minister meet

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (AP) — Soviet leader Yuri V. Andropov and Defense Minister Dimitri Ustinov met Wednesday with Deputy Cuban Premier Raul Castro, the official news agency Tass said.

Castro is second secretary of Cuba's Communist Party, its defense minister and brother of Cuban leader Fidel Castro. He has been in Moscow since Dec. 18, when he arrived for last week's Kremlin observances of the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Soviet state. Most other major delegations have since left Moscow.

Bouterse rules out return to democracy

THE HAGUE, Dec. 30 (APF) — Surinam military junta chief Lt. Col. Desi Bouterse has pledged that as long as he is in power there will be no return to parliamentary democracy.

In a television interview, reported by the government-controlled SNA Press Agency and received here Wednesday, Col. Bouterse said such a system had never worked well in Surinam and accused parliamentarians of "not having served the country." Surinam's military ruler said a "new government with a new program" was being formed.

Col. Bouterse also announced, without specifying that "one of the largest countries of the region" was willing to provide Surinam with economic aid for the "immediate period." He said this money would prevent economic and social chaos following the cut off of aid from the Netherlands.

The Netherlands announced Dec. 10 after the execution of political opponents in the wake of a total military takeover two days earlier that it was suspending aid worth some \$95 million to Surinam. Col. Bouterse said Surinam planned to take "legal, international and diplomatic" action to have the aid promised after the country's independence from the Netherlands renewed.

Vietnam attacks Chinese fickleness

BANGKOK, Dec. 30 (R) — Vietnam said Thursday that Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang's current tour of Africa showed Peking's fickleness in trying to unite the Third World against the United States and the Soviet Union.

The official Hanoi daily *Nhan Dan*, accusing China of changing its political face at the drop of a hat, said that in the past 30 years, Peking "had changed friends and slogans at least three times." The newspaper referred to Peking's pro-Soviet, anti-American stance in the 1950s and said in the 1960s "China switched from anti-imperialism to anti-socialism, allying with all anti-Soviet forces and making supporters of the Soviet Union its enemies."

"And now China is calling for Third World unity against the two superpowers," *Nhan Dan* said, Chinese Foreign Minister Wu Xueqian was quoted in Rabat this week as saying Premier Zhao's tour was aimed at strengthening Chinese cooperation with the Third World.

Nhan Dan accused China of courting the Third World for "a condemnable purpose."

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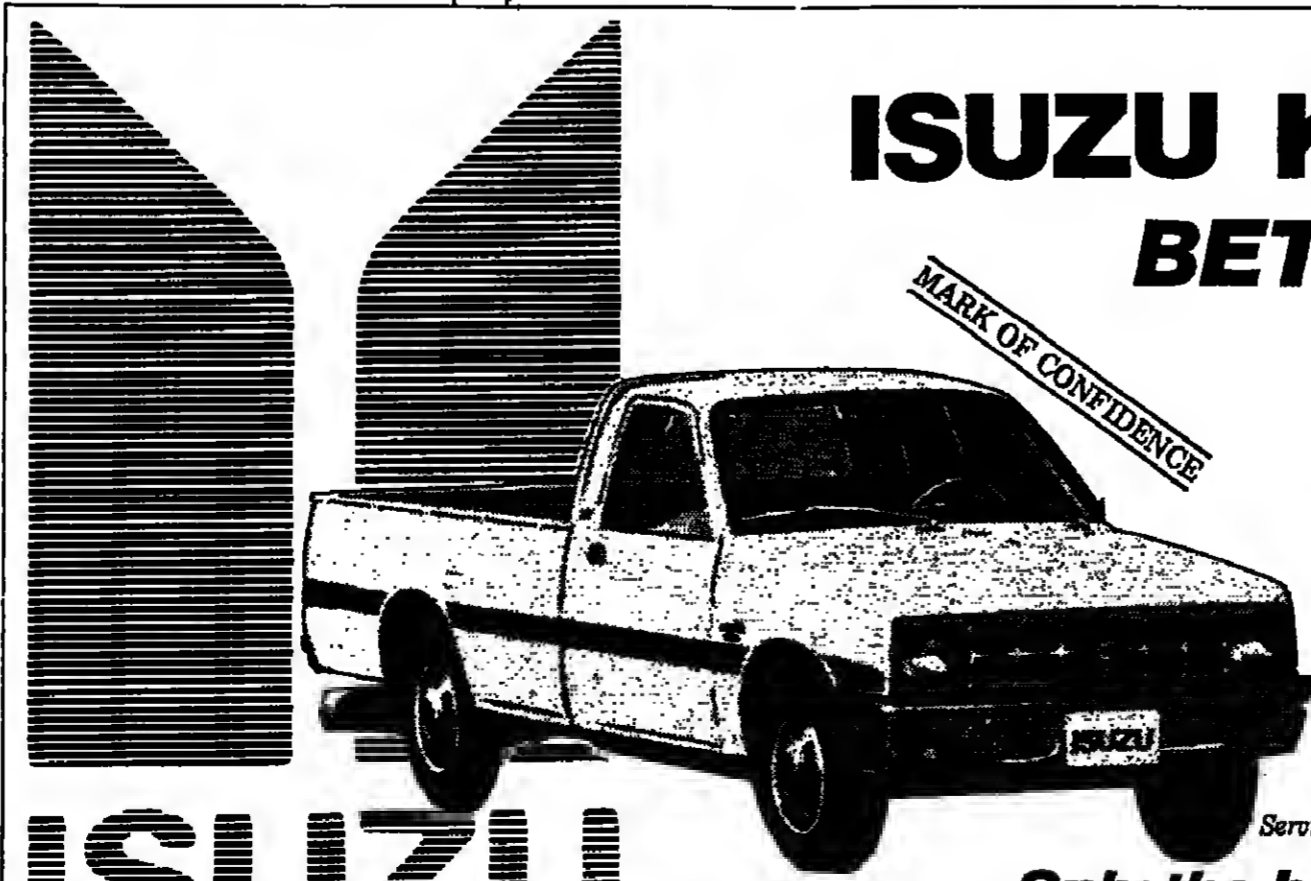
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U.S. trade gap narrows to \$4b

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP) — The United States' foreign trade deficit narrowed slightly to \$4.1 billion in November, but the red ink for all of 1982 now seems certain to pass the 1978 record of \$42.4 billion, government officials have said.

Next year's deficit should be even higher, putting additional strains on a U.S. economy that is struggling toward recovery after a year and a half of recession, the officials indicated.

Economists for the Commerce Department, which released the new report, said major reasons for the growing deficit include the relatively high value of the U.S. dollar and the continuing weakness of foreign nations' economies two factors that tend to discourage foreigners from buying American goods.

"As the severe short-term financial constraints facing the developing nations ease, we should begin to see a modest export pickup," said Commerce Undersecretary Robert Dederick.

However, he added, the deficits of \$5.3 billion for October and now \$4.1 billion for November together "averaged \$56.5 billion at an annual rate, suggesting that deficits in both the trade and current accounts will set new records in 1983."

The "current account" reference was to the nation's overall balance of payments, which includes services and other financial transactions as well as the merchandise trade covered in Wednesday's report.

The overall balance has shown a surplus

the past two years, but merchandise trade has been in deficit since 1976. Lack of foreign trade hurts U.S. producers in turn. And sources in the administration of President Ronald Reagan said Wednesday that the deteriorating trade situation is a major reason they are scaling back their estimates for 1983 growth in the overall American economy.

Estimates of that growth 4.4 percent in the administration's review last July will likely be lowered to a bit over 3 percent in official projections that will be announced early next year, said the officials, who asked not to be named. Those estimates are for growth in inflation-adjusted gross national product from the fourth quarter of 1982 to the fourth quarter of 1983.

Japan okays \$209b budget

TOKYO, Dec. 30 (AP) — The Japanese government Thursday passed the final draft of its austerity national budget for next year, cutting most heavily on social expenditure and sparing only defense and foreign aid.

The general account expenditure will amount to 50.370 billion yen (\$209 billion), up 1.4 percent over the previous year, the smallest increase for 28 years.

The defense budget, which was increased by only 5.1 percent in the draft forwarded last week, has finally been given special treatment.

Following heated talks between cabinet members and the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), the increase was raised to 6.5 percent under an agreement reached Wednesday night.

However, it is still lower than the 7.34 percent claimed by the national defense agency to meet its commitments toward the United States.

The self-defense national forces will receive \$11.5 billion for the fiscal year starting next April 1. Official estimates show this sum amounts to 0.98 percent of the projected

In November, the new commerce report said, U.S. merchandise imports from abroad declined 10.2 percent below October's level to \$19.8 billion. That decline probably "reflects weakness in the economy" of the United States, said commerce economist David Lund.

If the economy improves soon, as many people expect, U.S. demand for foreign goods could be expected to pick up as well, possibly worsening the deficit.

U.S. exports in November declined 6 percent below October's level to \$15.7 billion, the lowest monthly export rate since June 1979, the report said. Exports have declined five months in a row and 13 of the past 15 months.

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gross national product (GNP) next year. Since 1976, Japan has strived to maintain its defense spending under the psychological barrier of one percent of its GNP, but Washington has been pushing Tokyo to exceed this limit to play an active part in the "defense of the free world." The foreign aid budget has been given the largest increase of seven percent, or \$2.1 billion.

On the other hand, social expenditures will be the hardest hit with only a 0.6 percent increase and no compensation for the estimated four percent inflation for this year.

The cause of this austerity budget is the huge fiscal deficit, which had led the previous administration of Zenko Suzuki to decree a "state of fiscal emergency."

Overestimation of growth rates, the continuing world recession and flagging domestic consumption have put the state in a dilemma with a deficit of \$20 billion to \$24 billion for this fiscal year. The government has had to resort increasingly to borrowing, with loans expected to account for 26.5 percent of the 1983 budget.

U.K. disenchanted with EEC

LONDON, Dec. 30 (R) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher acknowledged Thursday there had been disappointments in the decade since Britain joined the European Economic Community and opposition leader Michael Foot said a future Labor Party government would pursue a policy of withdrawal from the Common Market.

British political leaders, commenting on Saturday's 10th anniversary of British accession to the community, gave the 10-nation grouping a mixed report card in interviews with the Press Association. Britain's domestic news agency.

Foot said a Labor government would pursue a policy of withdrawal in intelligent consultation with other members.

Roy Jenkins, former president of the community's executive commission and now

leader of Britain's Social Democratic Party, said it would be a disaster to pull out.

Mrs. Thatcher told the Press Association: "I am convinced that Britain has weathered the storms of the last decade far better in the community than we could have done outside."

Mrs. Thatcher said that, above all else, the community had given all the member states, acting together, a stronger world voice than any of them could have achieved individually.

For Labor, Foot told the Press Association it was easy to see why opposition to the Common Market had grown stronger. Most of the arguments against Britain's accession had been vindicated, he said.

The status of the British Parliament was threatened, Foot said, and that was one reason why Labor had accepted a policy of withdrawal. But he added: "Of course, it must be done in intelligent consultation with the other countries, in our interests and theirs."

Tanzania-Zambia project in peril

LUSAKA, Dec. 30 (AP) — The 1,860-km Tanzania-Zambia railway (Tazara), born of the last trip by a Chinese premier to Africa 19 years ago, is on the eve of Premier Zhao Ziyang's visit here in deep trouble that Zambia and Tanzania have turned to the West to sort out.

The railway, constructed by 43,500 Chinese workers as a showpiece aid project to rival the Soviet-built Aswan Dam in Egypt, was meant to reduce the dependence of landlocked Zambia on transport routes to the South to get its important copper exports to market. It was also to increase the revenue of the port of Dar es Salaam.

Brazil slashes funds to industry

BRASILIA, Dec. 30 (R) — Brazil's government is to slash investments by the huge state sector companies by an overall 20 percent in real terms in 1983, in a move bankers say is to comply with International Monetary Fund (IMF) conditions.

Brazil, struggling to maintain payments on a foreign debt which bankers estimate at nearly \$89 billion, agreed an economic program with the IMF on Dec. 15.

Brazil is said by bankers to have requested an IMF loan of \$4.86 billion over three years, with a further \$1 billion to compensate for falls in export prices.

Investments were being cut in steel, electricity and nuclear complexes, but maintained for the oil, mining and communications sectors, government officials said Wednesday.

Danes reject EEC fishing proposals

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 30 (R) — Denmark Thursday rejected final proposals from its Common Market partners aimed at defusing a community fishing crisis in the new year.

Parliament's all-party market affairs committee reaffirmed at a last-minute meeting here its earlier rejection of a common fisheries policy offer agreed by Denmark's nine partners and which expires Thursday, parliamentary officials said.

The committee also rejected an alternative roll-over scheme designed to give the 10 members more time to agree on a durable share-out plan for community catches.

The two alternative proposals, although supported by Denmark's minority government, were rejected by the committee on grounds that they offered inadequate Danish fishing rights in community waters, mostly in British waters, parliamentary officials said.

The British government said Wednesday it would deploy fishery protection vessels and warships from Jan. 1 to prevent unauthorized Danish fishing in its territorial waters.

Seoul inflation touches new low

SEOUL, Dec. 30 (R) — South Korea this year enjoyed its lowest inflation in more than 20 years largely because of stable raw material prices, government officials said Thursday.

The economic planning board said the increase of 2.4 percent in wholesale prices this year was the lowest since 1958. Last year they rose 11.3 percent and the year before 42.1 percent.

Consumer prices rose 4.8 percent, the lowest rise since 1971, compared with 13.7 percent in 1981 and 32.1 percent in 1980, the board said.

U.S. indicators up by 1 percent

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP) — The U.S. government says its main forecasting gauge for national economic health rose in November, the seventh increase in eight months and an indication of an improving economy.

The report, shows the U.S. Commerce Department's index of leading indicators up about 1 percent for the month.

The index is a compilation of 10 separate economic statistics covering a wide variety of areas including layoffs, inflation, stock prices and orders for factory goods. When most of those components rise, overall business activity is supposed to rise soon thereafter.

In the past, the U.S. economy has at least begun "significant recovery within a few months after the index began to rise. But recovery has been much slower in coming for the 1981-82 recession.

Yet since Tazara opened in 1976, goods traffic on the line has fallen from a peak of 1.3 million tons to just 752,000 tons in 1980-81, as Zambia turns more and more to shipping through non-independent Zimbabwe and South Africa.

The line's main problems, as identified by experts of the nine-nation Southern African Development Coordination Conference (SADCC) striving to reduce regional dependence on South Africa, are an insufficiency of locomotive power and inefficient use of freight cars.

The 85 diesel locomotives provided by China as part of its \$412 million loan package have proved to be underpowered, at 2,000 horsepower, and West Germany is to begin delivering \$22 million worth of 3,000-hp diesel engines in 1983.

Shortages of skilled maintenance staff and spare parts have also left two-thirds of the Chinese locomotives standing unusable at any one time, according to a SADCC report.

The regional organization, which gets most of its money from Western industrialized countries, has pledged \$95 million for track repair and training to improve Tazara's performance.

Tazara's management, a joint Tanzanian-Zambian association, says it also needs up to 1,000 more wagons. The Chinese provided twice that many, but transport experts say they have not been properly used. Turnaround time of the cars is usually about a month, as against the 15 days estimated as necessary.

The results of these snags has been massive blockages in getting Zambian copper to Dar es Salaam.

BRIEFS

PEKING, (AP) — China expects total industrial output value to increase 7 percent this year, exceeding the original target of 4 to 5 percent, the official Xinhua news agency reported. Total output value will exceed 550 billion yuan (\$275 billion), it said. Last year, China reported total production of 517.8 billion yuan (\$258.9 billion). Xinhua said heavy industry output would increase 9 percent and light industry 5 percent.

BRUSSELS, (R) — Belgium's foreign currency reserves fell by 146 million francs to 32.7 billion in the week ended Dec. 24, according to the national bank's weekly balance sheet. National bank sources said the bank made no intervention sales or purchases of francs on foreign exchange markets during the week.

NEW DELHI, (AP) — The Soviet Union has reduced its farm produce imports from India by about \$100 million for 1982-83, the Economic Times reported Thursday. Rice and cashew nuts, which the USSR takes in bulk quantities, would be particularly affected, it said. The Soviet Union is attempting to cut its deficit with India, which was an estimated \$500 million for 1981-82.

BRUSSELS, (R) — Belgium's wholesale

price index (base 1953 equals 100), excluding value added tax, was almost unchanged in November at 244.1 after 244.0 in October, according to economic affairs ministry figures. This put the index 6.5 percent above November, 1981, levels following a 6.8 percent year-on-year rise in October.

PARIS, (R) — French retail prices rose one percent in November after a 0.5 percent rise in October giving a year-on-year rise of 9.4 percent in November after 9.3 percent in October, the national statistics institute Insee said. Insee said the retail price index, base 1970, stood at 327.3 in November after 324.2 in October and 299.2 in November 1981.

HARARE, (AP) — About 1,200 workers will lose their jobs when one of Zimbabwe's largest mines, the Rio Tinto-owned Empress Nickel Mine, closes down this week, a company spokesman said Wednesday.

WIESBADEN, (R) — The West German cost of living index rose an average 5.3 percent in 1982, provisional statistics office figures show. The index rose an average 5.9 percent in 1981 and 5.5 percent in 1980, economics ministry figures show.

Dollar regains lost ground

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Dec. 30 — The American currency picked up some ground against the European currencies Thursday in thin trading. The reversal started in New York on Wednesday night after a day when the dollar fell back heavily against the European currencies on the continent.

The dollar was boosted by a rise in the Federal Reserve's "Fed fund" prime lending rate to 10 percent levels although it closed at 9 3/4 percent levels Wednesday night. This seemed to confuse the money markets who had been convinced that the "Fed" was well on its way of pushing interest rates down in order to stimulate an economic revival. But dealers were still optimistic that the "Fed" will continue to see rates down since Wednesday's rates are usually exaggerated due to banks' settlements.

What seemed to help the dollar more on the exchanges was the lower than expected deficit figure for the U.S. trade for the month of November. The markets had been expecting to see a higher figure than October's \$5.33 billion trade deficit, but Wednesday it was announced that the November figure stood at \$4.09 billion.

While the dollar rose on the exchange markets, the money markets saw little movement with Eurodollar deposit rates still trading weakly at around 9 1/16 percent levels for the shorter tenors.

The bullion markets rose over New York trading in last minute trading which took gold to \$462 an ounce Thursday after a New York close of around the same level. Silver

prices also rose to \$11.25 to \$11.30 an ounce compared with \$11.05 on Wednesday. Dealers were surprised by these rises, but trading volumes were small and some fluctuations are expected to occur prior to the year-end closing as well in early January.

In Europe, the British pound traded around 1.6195 to 1.6210 levels with the British markets being more actively involved for the first time since holiday break. The German mark was weaker at 2.3790 levels compared to 2.3650 levels but the fall was more due to profit-taking than any fundamental reasons.

The Swiss franc was stable at around 1.9980 levels and the Japanese yen fell back to 233.80 from 232.50 levels Wednesday. The French franc which had risen to 6.6980 levels, fell to 6.7310 on Wednesday but trading volumes were small.

On the local markets, rial deposit rates continued to fall taking the week-fixed to 5 3/4 — 6 1/4 percent and the one-month rate to 6 1/2 — 7 percent levels. Longer-dated funds were hardly traded and in fact few local based banks actively traded due to year-end book closing Thursday. Spot rial-dollar exchange prices were quoted for information at 3.4395-02 levels.

LONDON, (AP) — Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

London	453.50
Paris	456.02
Frankfurt	457.98
Zurich	460.00
Hong Kong	456.36

U.S. wages lag behind inflation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP) — Wages paid to Americans by manufacturers have failed to keep pace with inflation since 1978 while pay has been rising faster than prices in other industrial countries, according to figures of the U.S. bureau of labor statistics.

The situation has improved for Americans in recent months because prices have been going up more slowly than in past years, but the experts see little real change for 1982. Average earnings in this country have increased because young and recently hired people tend to be paid off sooner than older people, and older employees tend to get higher pay. The unemployed don't earn anything at all, so they don't get included in the average.

Wages in other countries have risen steadily despite inflation, even though in some — like Britain and Italy — price rises have been much greater than in the United States.

Bureau experts have come up with comparisons for Japan, West Germany, France, Canada, Belgium, Denmark, Holland and Sweden as well, going back to 1950. In each country, the figures are for real wages — adjusted to take account of the rise in prices.

They show that the average weekly pay for an American worker rose with only minor interruptions between 1950 and 1978, almost doubling in that period. The bureau uses index figures instead of actual money: 54.2 in 1950 and 100.8 in 1978.

In 1950 American wages were higher than anywhere, so other countries had a lot of catching up to do. A few — notably West Germany and Belgium — have done so and some others, like Japan, are coming close. In terms of what people had been accustomed to earning, progress was generally much faster than in this country.

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Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Asphalting pavement and lighting of Najran	127	5,000	Jan. 15
Directorate of Health Affairs, Hail Region	Catering for Hail Hospital, 1403-4	—	500	Jan. 8
Interior Ministry, College of Internal Security Forces	Setting up a training hall	—	4,000	Dec. 18
University of Petroleum and Minerals	Maintenance of campus gardens	—	250	Dec. 15
Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Supervision of Tabuk beautification project	129	1,000	Jan. 4
	Filling-in of low lying areas in Rafha (Third time)	2/230	500	Jan. 16

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Berth	Name of Vessel	Agent	Type of Cargo	Arrival
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2.	Autorionella Ace	A.E.T.	Vehicles	29.12.82
3.	Penny 'S'	El Hawi	Gen./Containers	27.12.82
4.	Omdurman	A.E.T.	Durra	22.12.82
5.	Ming Summar	Star	Bagged Barley	23.12.82
6.	Balder Gent	Atawil	Bagged Sugar	25.12.82
14.	Tropicana	O.C.E.	Reefer	25.12.82
15.	Sifna Najd	O.C.E.	Bananas	16.12.82
17.	Condor	Star	Gen./Steel	24.12.82
18.	Condor	Star	General/Steel	24.12.82
19.	Ionian Carrier	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	25.12.82
20.	Sagr Jeddah	Alsebah	Bulk Cement	24.12.82
21.	Al Mareekh	Star	Fruits/Chicken	20.12.82
22.	Maldiva Trader	O'Trada	Steel/Gen.	25.12.82
23.	Nour	Hitta	Containers/Plant	24.12.82
24.	Saudi Jeddah	M.E.S.A.	Lime/Gen./Timber	24.12.82
25.	Khartoum	A.E.T.	Durra	21.12.82
27.	Kayo Grossos	El Hawi	Bagged Sugar	22.12.82
29.	Asia Freezer	O.C.E.	Reefer	22.12.82
30.	Bora Universal	Star	Reefer	22.12.82
32.	Sie Kim	El Hawi	Contrs./Steel/Tiles	25.12.82
33.	Gulard	Star	Reefer/Gen.	21.12.82
33.	Amfittiri	Gulf	Paper/Steel/Calcium	25.12.82
37.	Ming Young	Minco	Containers	24.12.82
40.	Mokha	Star	General	23.12.82
41.	Ornis	Atawil	Vehicles	25.12.82
42.	Rolita	A.E.T.	Reefer	25.12.82
43.	Maldiva Prize	Bamaodah	Bagged Barley	20.12.82

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1. VESSELS DISCHARGING:

Berth	Name of Vessel	Agent	Type of Cargo	Arrival
2.	Al Riyadh	Orri	Barley/Corn	28.12.82
3.	Natasha	Atawil	Steel/Gen.	29.12.82
4.	Fathul Khair	Orri	General	23.12.82
5.	Emilia Uno	Gosaibi	Bagged Sugar	22.12.82
9.	Luchun	Orri	Loading Urea	26.12.82
12.	Sharp Island	UEP	General	25.12.82
14.	New Lark	Orri	Gen./Cont.	24.12.82
15.	Darya Kamal	SMC	Timber/Reefer	23.12.82
19.	Nikos-N	SMC	General	25.12.82
20.	Mallow Everett	Gulf	Bananas	25.12.82
24.	Hellenic Spirit	Gulf	Containers	25.12.82
26.	Regent Quince (D.B.)	Alsebah	Bulk Cement	20.12.82
37.	Arabian Lutah	Barber	Cement Silo VSL	27.10.77
38.	Menina Alice (D.B.)	Globe	Bulk Cement	17.12.82
S.C.P.	Barga Salati-10	Alsalimi	Loading Equip	24.12.82
2.	Hellenic Spirit	Gulf	Containers	25.12.82
3.	Sharp Island	UEP	General	25.12.82
4.	Mallow Everett	Gulf	Bananas	25.12.82
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SENSE OR NONSENSE

Japanese mountaineer Yasuo Kato who climbed Mount Everest in the worst possible winter conditions is probably dead but his memory will linger because he had followed in the footsteps of daredevils whose personal prosperity depends on challenging the seemingly impossible.

Why did Kato leave the comfort of his family, home and country to climb the peak at this time of the year? Climbing mountains is risky business and climbing the world's highest peak is even riskier. Attempting Everest in winter is at best a crazy idea, and not taking extraordinary precautions to withstand the weather smacks of mental aberration.

But Kato is not alone in trying to achieve what no one has done. The Guinness Book of Records is full of such stories, some so outlandish and dangerous that the editors have recently decided to discount for fear of persuading glib readers to follow suit. There are those who wish to be the first ever person to reach the deepest spot on earth and those who want to be the first to eat the largest number of eggs in the shortest possible time. Others aspire to be the fastest tennis artists in the world by cutting the hair of 30 clients per hour while yet another who achieved in Thailand recently a record number of vasectomies in one day to reduce the future population of his country.

To many of us such acts may look silly, appear too risky and blatantly propagandistic. But to those who undertake them they are feats of valor and daring which ensure eternal fame whatever the risks might be.

Fortunately most of us belong to the spectator crowds and prefer to be amused by watching others risking their lives like the stunt man who killed himself by jumping from scores of stories in place of Roger Moore in one of his forthcoming Bond films. He crashed into an inflated balloon which gave away on impact. The man did not have half a chance and died. But the footage of the jump will ensure his immortality. That's partly what he sought in undertaking a dangerous assignment.

One question remains. Why are there no laws defining the limits to which persons might go before they are taken to task for risking their lives. Or should there be such laws?

Saudi Arabian press review

Al-Riyadh Thursday accused Israel of attempting to blackmail Lebanon after the first round of the tripartite talks in Khabat Tuesday and called on the Arabs to take effective defensive measures in the face of the mounting military strength of the Zionist entity.

It said the presence of the Palestinians in Lebanon was neither a cause of tension in the region nor a threat to Israel as alleged by Zionist leaders. It added that Israel had proved that its claims to eliminate this threat was false and that it had become clear Israel was planning to annex more Arab lands.

The paper said the superpowers should be aware of the flexibility shown by the Arabs in their peace plan adopted at the Arab Fez summit and that the Palestinian evacuation from West Beirut was in fact the first Arab step toward bringing about a durable peace in the region.

Al-Madinah said Israel's insistence on a normalization of relations with Lebanon at the outset of the talks had betrayed the real Zionist intentions toward Lebanon. It added that no recognition

or normalization of relations between Israel and Lebanon was possible in view of current Zionist policy which totally rejected the idea of co-existence and justice.

Al-Yom accused Israel of hampering negotiations in order to prolong its stay in Lebanon. The paper deplored the unlimited aid and assistance given by the U.S. to Israel and noted that the U.S. administration was repeating the mistake of playing the Camp David game with Lebanon.

Okaz underlined the importance of a scheduled visit to London by a seven-member Arab League delegation following Britain's change of attitude. The paper said the change reflected the Arab nation's ability to exert real pressures in favor of the Palestinian issue.

Al-Bilad said the outcome of the delegation's visits to Washington, Paris, Moscow and Peking was positive, in the sense that it had been able to explain to the leaders of these countries the dimensions of the Arab peace plan and foil Zionist attempts to raise doubts about the plan. (SPA)



S. African reforms meant to give better look to apartheid

By Allister Sparks

CAPE TOWN —

A while ago the South African government placed a large advertisement in the *Financial Times* with pictures of whites and blacks working happily together in a variety of situations. It was intended to support Pretoria's contention that apartheid is being phased out, but a sharp-eyed reader would have noticed something odd about the main picture. It showed mining magnate Harry Oppenheimer and one of his lieutenants, Julian Ogilvie Thompson, with two Botswana cabinet ministers at the opening of a new De Beers diamond mine in that country. Nothing to do with South Africa at all.

The information department was at pains to explain that it was De Beers' public relations people who slipped, not they, and that no deception was intended. It was a symbolic slip all the same. So many of South Africa's claimed reforms turn out to be not quite what was represented. This has been the case with the concurred effort made throughout 1982 to project South Africa as a society entering its age of reform.

P. W. Botha has been portrayed as one courageously trying to lead his people around in a gigantic U-turn away from a disastrous old commitment and on to a new course — but who must go about it with great circumspection so as not to get too far ahead of them and put Dr. Andries Treurnicht's Conservative Party Neanderthals in power. 'Be patient' is the plea. Don't expect him to do everything at once. At least he is moving in the right direction.

He has split his party for the sake of a new constitution that breaches the color bar: he has allowed

black trade unions; and after 34 years, he is saying South Africa is ready to let Namibia become independent, and the Americans believe he is sincere. Yet on closer examination this looks suspiciously like a ploy to install Botha as an executive president with dictatorial powers.

The new constitution, while including the colored and Indian minorities, shots out the African majority more rigorously than ever and still enriches white power. The new black trade union movement has been subjected to a massive security police crackdown, with more than 100 detentions, allegations of torture and the death of Dr. Nell Aggett.

The conciliatory image on Namibia's offset by an aggressive new militarism, culminating in the recent Lesotho raid. South Africa has made it plain it will cross borders with impunity to clear out what it regards as hostile forces in neighboring states. Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Angola and Lesotho claim it is also supporting dissident movements in their countries to destabilize them. What does it all mean? Are the changes real, or a confidence trick? A bit of both, actually. That apartheid is being changed there can be no doubt; but it is being remodelled, not dismantled.

It is being adjusted so that it can better match the requirements of a modern industrial economy which is chronically short of skilled white manpower. Some of the system's more glaring ill-effects are being removed. It is being given a better face with the introduction of some power-sharing with other races. But the object of the exercise is to make apartheid more sustainable, not to remove it. There is not the slightest intention of changing its primary aim, which is to maintain white, and specifically Afrikaner, control over the greater part of South

Africa.

That, as government members will put it when pressed, is non-negotiable. It is Afrikanerdom's bottom line. Everything about apartheid can change except white domination of the political system. This is not so much a matter of racialism — though that is also a factor, to be sure — as of the Afrikaner's survival imperative.

The Afrikaners see themselves as an indigenous nation in Africa. Over three centuries, they have lost their ties with Europe, fought their own war of independence, developed their own language, their own religious faith and their own strong sense of nationhood. They will not allow the majority to share power with them because then they will lose control over the nation-state and cease to be a nation in their own right.

That is why they are prepared, under the new constitution, to share power with the colored and Indian minorities, whom they can still dominate, but not with the African majority.

The changes in fact are designed to reinforce rather than diminish Afrikaner control. It is an attempt to co-opt the colored and Indian minorities as members and co-defenders of an enlarged 'insider' group. They are being made minority shareholders in the South African nation, as it were, while the African majority are excluded from the nation altogether. The policy of making the Africans all statutory foreigners by making them citizens of the tribal 'homelands' which are then scheduled for nominal independence is being pursued with redoubled vigour.

New legislation has been drafted to limit the entry of Africans into the main urban areas to the

minimum needed to keep the economy running. The penalties for illegal entry are being increased tenfold.

Although the new middle class of skilled Africans who are admitted will be able to improve their material circumstances there, with better jobs, better housing and even a degree of municipal self-rule in their own segregated townships, they too will be denationalized as the 'homelands' become independent and will have no claims to a future share in the central political system.

They are being allowed trade union rights because the economy needs them to advance their skills and it is better to have them organized than to deal with a mob, but the union movements are being kept under close surveillance to make sure they do not become instruments of the black underground. Meanwhile, the enlarged larger's defenses are being strengthened. The extension of political rights to the colored and Asians means they can be conscripted. The citizen force will be able to draw on a population pool of 7,000,000 instead of 4,500,000.

Armstrong has beaten the arms boycott to the point where South Africa is now an exporter of arms. It may also be a nuclear power. Thus armed, it is changing its strategy: the laager is no longer to be purely defensive.

South Africa is worried by what it sees as an arc of 'Marxist' states across its northern borders, stretching from the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean, which it believes are the bases for a Soviet-directed 'total onslaught' against itself. It is determined to clear them of this perceived threat.

To this end, Botha has proclaimed a Monroe Doctrine over the whole Southern African region, declaring that South Africa's sphere of influence includes all its neighbors and it will not tolerate hostile forces in any of them. This is why South Africa is so eager to negotiate the removal of Cuban troops from Angola. It has also decided to clear out the ANC from all other neighboring states. That is what the Maseru raid was about, a brutal warning to all the neighbors. (ONS)

Inflation, terrorism threaten Peru's democracy

By Mike Reid

LIMA —

The sudden resignation of Peru's prime minister, Dr. Manuel Ulloa Elias, is unlikely to produce much change in the country's harsh economic policy, despite the mounting social unrest which precipitated Ulloa's fall.

Announcing the resignation of the premier last week, Peru's conservative civilian president, Fernando Belaunde Terry, said only that there might be an alteration in the dose but not in the underlying prescription for the sick economy. Ulloa, who had been minister of finance as well as prime minister was implementing an International Monetary Fund stabilization plan aimed at overcoming Peru's balance of payments difficulties. In keeping with the terms of a \$960 million loan agreement with the IMF, signed in March, Peru has devalued by 90 percent and adopted a tighter monetary policy.

The result has been stagflation: the cost of living has gone up 75 percent in this year (the fifth successive year in which inflation has topped 60 percent) while the economy has stopped growing. Although his popularity was declining, Ulloa's departure was

unexpected. Belaunde appears to have decided to bring forward the first major cabinet reshuffle since he took power in July, 1980. (He may have been prompted by a widely supported two-day farm workers' strike last month, during which the main coastal highway was blocked and Lima, the capital, cut off.)

The new prime minister, Dr. Fernando Schwalb Lopez Aldana, has been isolated from the controversies of current Peruvian domestic politics because he has been an ambassador in Washington for the past two-and-a-half years. A distinguished lawyer, he will take office in the first week of January. About two-thirds of Ulloa's cabinet are expected to be reappointed. The most important change will be at the finance ministry, where the man expected to take over is Carlos Rodriguez Pastor, an international banker.

A former manager of Peru's central bank, he has spent the past decade in the United States, in charge of Latin American operations for Wells Fargo. He has been responsible for the refinancing of a large slice of Peru's \$1.1 billion external debt. Since Peru has to raise \$1 billion next year from international

banks who are increasingly unsympathetic to Latin American borrowers, Rodriguez Pastor's banking connections and expertise are seen as decisive.

Another problem facing the new cabinet is the increasing strength of the Maoist-led guerrillas in the southern-central Andes. For two years, the Sendero Luminoso group has been carrying out a campaign of sabotage, attacks on police posts and selective assassination of local officials, with growing impunity. The government has declared a state of emergency in the Ayacucho and Andahuaylas areas, and has sent the elite Sinchis counter-insurgency battalion of the Civil Guard to the area to reinforce the poorly equipped local police.

The man tipped as interior minister in the new cabinet, Fernando Rincon Bazo, is known to favor a harder line against the guerrillas but Sendero is a formidable enemy. The last time the armed forces were called in to fight a guerrilla movement, during Belaunde's first presidency in the 1960s, they ended up toppling the government and taking power themselves. With his uncomfortable parallel, Peru's fragile civilian democracy faces a difficult year. (ONS)

Disarmament becomes major issue in U.K.

By Maureen Johnson

LONDON —

Nuclear disarmament is shaping up as a major issue for Britain's hawkish Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who is already feeling worried she is losing the initiative in an increasingly angry national debate.

And to add to her worries, the unease about nuclear arms has spread a long way from the traditional left. This was evident from the nuclear boycott warnings in New Year messages from the archbishops of Canterbury and York.

Amidst protests by right-wing Conservative legislators over the ranking clerics' messages, came the visit of opposition Labor Party leader Michael Foot to women peace campaigners camped outside a U.S. Air Force base.

Reflecting Conservative sensitivity on the nuclear issue, some legislators took exception to Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie's message although the World War II tank commander stopped well short of advocating unilateral nuclear disarmament.

Runcie, leader of the 65-million member worldwide Anglican communion, declared in a speech

that some of Britain's best minds were "employed preparing for the lunatic unthinkable."

"Full-scale nuclear war is unwinnable and there should be an end to all talk which makes it seem anything other than madness," he declared.

Anglican Archbishop of York Stuart Blanch, in a New Year's message, said even disarmament by the major powers would not remove the threat of a nuclear holocaust. But he, too, made no mention of unilateral disarmament.

"There is no... infallible method of preventing the use of a nuclear warhead by some unscrupulous dictator or terrorist organization," said Blanch. "The threat of universal disaster is with us forever."

Tory legislator Julian Amery, a former Foreign Office minister, commented: "Peace on earth and goodwill to all is a fine sentiment, but to go from there to unilateral nuclear disarmament is very dangerous ground."

Mrs. Thatcher's aides admit she is concerned about growing anti-nuclear sentiment and its becoming a major issue at the next general election, widely expected sometime in 1983, ahead of the May 1984 deadline.

Protests have been fueled by the scheduled deployment of 572 U.S. Cruise nuclear missiles in Britain next year and the prime minister's decision to update her country's Polaris nuclear weapons with the U.S. Trident system.

Observers consider Mrs. Thatcher's choice of a defense secretary to replace John Nott, who retires next month, will be influenced by what she considers an ability to argue her line that nuclear weapons are the best deterrent to nuclear war. Environment Secretary Michael Heseltine, a noted public speaker, is likely to be tipped for the job.

Mrs. Thatcher and Foot clashed in the House of Commons last week over where he termed her "preemptory and slapdash" rejection of Soviet leader Yuri Andropov's offer to cut Soviet SS-20 medium range missiles targeted at Western Europe to the 162 missiles held by France and Britain. Apart from the United States, Britain and France are the only nuclear powers in the 16-nation NATO Western alliance.

Labor is committed at least to canceling Trident and, if the divided party's left-wing has its way, to banning Cruise and scrapping Britain's current Polaris nuclear missiles. (AP)



M. Kahl on leave

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Dec. 31, the 365th and final day of 1982.

Highlights in history on this date.

1494 — Forces of France's Charles VIII enter Rome.

1851 — Austrian constitution is abolished.

1879 — Inventor Thomas A. Edison first demonstrates electric light at Menlo Park, New Jersey.

1919 — Britain, United States and Japan sign agreement on East Siberia.

1946 — End of World War II is proclaimed officially by U.S. President Harry S. Truman.

1956 — President Sukarno proclaims state of siege in Sumatra, Indonesia.

1961 — Lebanese army prevents coup attempted in Beirut by Syrian Popular Party.

1964 — Indonesia's President Sukarno threatens to quit United Nations if Malaysia is given seat on Security Council.

1966 — United States says it will halt bombing of North Vietnam as soon as Hanoi assures that it will discuss peace terms seriously.

1975 — Soviet Union rejects charges by U.S. critics that it has failed to live up to arms limitation agreement with United States.

1978 — Anti-Shah violence continues in Iran, and more than 200 persons are reported killed during single weekend.

1979 — Diplomats report that Soviet Union has moved another 20,000 troops across Afghanistan border in order to take over Afghan government's war against freedom fighters.

1981 — Administration of U.S. President Ronald Reagan announces change in plans for deploying MX missile, saying it will place 40 of the missiles in existing Minuteman silos on high plains of northern United States.

Thought for today:

Always remember that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any other thing — Abraham Lincoln, U.S. President (1809-1865).

Islam in perspective

What the Qur'an teaches

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful.
If we defer their suffering till an appointed time, they are sure to say: "What is holding it back?" On the day when it befalls them there will be nothing to avert it from them; and they shall be overwhelmed by that which they used to deride. And thus it is: if we let man taste some of Our grace, and then take it away from him, he yields to despair and becomes ungrateful. And if we let him taste ease and plenty after hardship has visited him, he is sure to say: "Gone is all affliction from me," and he grows jubilant and boastful. Not so those who are steadfast and do righteous deeds. They shall have forgiveness and a great reward.
Is it, then, conceivable that you may omit any part of what is being revealed to you and feel distressed in your heart at this saying: "Why has not a treasure been bestowed on him from on high?" - or, "Why has not an angel come with him?" You are only a warner, whereas Allah has everything in His care.

(HOUD: 11: 8-12)

Man in different moods

The passage quoted above follows immediately after the verse discussed last week which spoke about the unbelievers' denial of the resurrection and the day of judgment. The passage begins with the unbelievers' questioning of the fact that they have not been taken by an overwhelming suffering as a punishment for their denial of Muhammad's message. Earlier omissions which demanded miracles of their prophets and were granted them but continued to reject their messages were eliminated by an immediate suffering. This was due to the fact that the messages of those prophets were confined to a particular nation or a particular generation. The miracles they produced were witnessed only by that generation. They did not continue in order to be seen by future generations which might have been more responsive to faith.

The message of Prophet Muhammad was the final divine message, addressed to all generations and all nations. The miracle which supported the message was not a material one. It could, therefore, be preserved so that it might be contemplated and accepted by generations after generations. It is divine wisdom, then, that has ruled out to inflict on this nation an exterminating suffering, although such suffering may be visited on sections or individuals of this nation at particular times. The same has applied to the Jews and Christians, who received earlier scriptures, and have never been subjected to the sort of catastrophes that have eliminated earlier nations.

Ignorant as the unbelievers are of Allah's design which determined that man should be created in his present fashion which

enables him to choose in matters of faith and lifestyle, and ignorant as they are of Allah's purpose in creating the heavens and the earth in such a fashion which enables man to work and be tested, they deny the fact of their resurrection. In their ignorance they question why their punishment, if any, has been delayed. They do not realize that it is delayed till an appointed time. Nor do they recognize that behind this delay lies Allah's wisdom and His compassion. When the suffering overwhelms them, as it will surely do, they will have no means of averting it. It will encompass them all for their derision, evident by their questioning: "On the day when it befalls them there will be nothing to avert it from them; and they shall be overwhelmed by that which they used to deride."

No believer and indeed no person who takes a serious view of things asks for Allah's punishment to be hastened. Such people know that if the punishment is deferred, its deferment is motivated by Allah's compassion and wisdom, so that those who are more responsive to faith may accept it. Indeed in the period during which Allah chose not to inflict an overwhelming punishment on the unbelievers of Quraish, many a person from among them adopted Islam and served it well afterward. Of their offspring many were good servants of Islam. These are only partial manifestations of Allah's purpose and wisdom. He alone knows it in full. Man with his finite reason and hasty view cannot know it all.

The rest of the passage describes some aspect of the psychology of man, a remarkable creature who, without faith, remains short-sighted, inconsistent and fluctuating

between different moods:

"And thus it is: if we let man taste some of Our grace, and then take it away from him, he yields to despair and becomes ungrateful. And if we let him taste ease and plenty after hardship has visited him, he is sure to say, 'Gone is all affliction from me, and he grows jubilant and boastful. Not so those who are patient in adversity and do righteous deeds. They shall have forgiveness and a great reward.' It is a perfectly accurate picture of man as he is: hasty, short-sighted, living only for the present, influenced only by the circumstances he finds himself in, forgetful of what has passed and heedless of what may follow. He is, therefore, in despair once Allah's grace is removed from him, ungrateful for what he has enjoyed, when it has been only part of Allah's bounty. Conversely, once he passes adversity and tastes ease and plenty he is over jubilant, boastful and arrogant. He does not persevere when he tastes hardship, hoping and praying that Allah will have mercy on him and lighten his hardship. Nor does he moderate his jubilation when he enjoys Allah's abundant bounty, or consider that it may be withdrawn."

"Not so those who are steadfast". Such people remain steadfast when they enjoy ease and plenty and when they endure adversity. Many people may be too proud to show weakness when they suffer any hardship. But few indeed are those who do not give themselves airs when they enjoy a period of bliss and affluence.

"And do righteous deeds". In both situations, by being patient in adversity and grateful when they enjoy happiness.

"They shall have forgiveness and a great reward" for their commendable attitude in both situations:

The serious view of faith which is manifested in righteous deeds is the only thing that protects man from despair in cases of hardship and from arrogance in cases of ease and plenty. It is the only factor which helps man adopt a consistent attitude in both situations. With faith man feels his link with Allah present in both situations. He is thus not overwhelmed by the pressures of adversity. Nor does he become proud and insolent when he enjoys abundance. To a believer both situations are beneficial. As the Prophet says, both situations are not beneficial except to a believer.

Those who are ignorant of Allah's purpose and wisdom in creating the universe and man as He has created them, and select-

ing His messenger from among human beings demand that the messenger should be an angel or that he should be accompanied by an angel. They underestimate the value of the message and demand that the messenger should be given a vast treasure. The *surah* here addresses the Prophet and asks what he is going to do about them. "Is it, then, conceivable that you may omit any part of what is being revealed to you and feel distressed in your heart at this saying: 'Why has not a treasure been bestowed on him from on high?' - or, 'Why has not an angel come with him?' You are only a warner, whereas Allah has everything in His care."

This verse does not present a direct question. It conveys an impression that any human being is expected to be distressed at such ignorance and intransigence. Anyone may be expected to be irritated by such stupid suggestions which betray a total lack of understanding of the nature of the message and its role in human life. Hence, the question to the Prophet whether he would also feel distressed and irritated to the extent that he may leave some parts of what is being revealed to him and not convey these parts to them so that he does not receive the sort of answers other Prophets have received from their nations.

The ending of the verse implies that the Prophet will not do either of these things: "You are only a warner." Your duty is to warn them. Such people need to be warned. This is why this aspect of the role of the Prophet has been emphasized here.

As you do your duty you know that "Allah has everything in His care." He will do with them what He will, according to the laws He has established, and He will hold them accountable for what they do. The Prophet is not responsible for either their acceptance or their faith or their denial of it. He is only a warner.

This last verse gives us a feeling of the difficult period the call of Islam was experiencing at that period which made the Prophet (Peace be on Him) feel his burden to be very heavy indeed. We have an impression of the intransigence of the unbelievers and their hostile and conceited attitude, while only a few people have responded favorably to the call of the Prophet. The believers and the Prophet were certainly enduring very difficult circumstances. But in that difficulty revelation from Allah comes with encouragement and reassurance.

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Quraish aims frustrated

By Adil Salahi

The determined assault made by Quraish to kill the Prophet failed in its objective, and the companions who rallied to his defense managed to move with him to a better-protected area, sheltered by the mountain behind him. As we said last time his companion, Talhah ibn Ubaidillah was the most effective of his defenders. That was a fact acknowledged even by those who remained steadfast with the Prophet. One of them, Sa'ad ibn Abu Waqqas, said later that Talhah was the hero of the day. "He remained close to the Prophet while the rest of us made some leaps forward and came back to him." Talhah was injured. He received an arrow in his hand which paralyzed the lower part of it. He was also hit with a stone on his head and lost consciousness. The Prophet asked Abu Bakr to attend to him and Abu Bakr washed his head with water. As Talhah regained consciousness, he asked Abu Bakr about the Prophet. When Abu Bakr told him that he was all right, Talhah praised Allah and said: "Any catastrophe that may befall us now is but a small matter."

More and more of the Prophet's companions were coming to their senses and joining the party which remained steadfast throughout. They were still confused. Some of them fought without knowing who they were fighting. In this confusion one of the Muslims, Al-Yaman, an elderly man who was the father of a great Muslim commander named Huthaifah, was killed by mistake by Muslims. Huthaifah saw his father being attacked by his Muslim brothers and tried in vain to warn them. After the battle he relinquished any claim against his father's killers.

Something extraordinary then happened to the Muslims. As they were rallying over to the Prophet they were overcome by sleep. They were walking toward the Prophet in the thick of the battle and yet many of them felt asleep overtaking them. Everyone so overtaken dropped his sword but as he did so he awoke, fresh, strong and reassured. Such momentary sleep happens to many people as they experience some great hardship. When they awake they feel that they have shed a very heavy burden. That it happened to the Muslims in their hour of difficulty, whose defeat looked them in the eyes, was a blessing from Allah. The Qur'an records this fact as it relates the events of the battle of Uhud. Then, after the sorrow, He sent down peace of mind upon you in the shape of a slumber that overcame a party of you. (3: 155)

Now the fighting was less one-sided. The Muslims who have rallied were prepared to go on. They were putting a determined fight. Both parties, however, were extremely exhausted. The commanders of Quraish felt that they have achieved a victory which would wipe away the memories of their earlier defeat in Badr. As the situation stood there was no way Quraish could bring the Muslims to the sort of crushing defeat it had hoped for. Soon the fighting died down and each party went to one side.

Abu Sufian, the Quraish leader, walked around the battlefield looking at those who were killed. He was hoping to find the body of the Prophet. When he could not find it he grew suspicious and went back to his camp. They were preparing to leave the battlefield. Just before they left Abu Sufian stood on a high place and shouted: "Great are our deeds. The score is even. A day for us which compares with Badr. Glory to Hubal." Hubal was the main idol the pagan Arabs worshipped. The Prophet asked Umar to answer him and Umar answered with the Prophet's words: Allah is more glorified and far greater. We are not even. Our martyrs are in heaven and your victims are in hell.

Abu Sufian asked Umar to draw nearer to him and the Prophet gave permission to Umar to go and see what he wanted. Abu Sufian said: "I ask you by Allah, Umar, have we killed Muhammad?" Umar said: "By Allah, you have not. He is bearing you as you speak now." Abu Sufian said: "In my view, you are more truthful than Ibn Qami'ah." Ibn Qami'ah was the man who claimed that he had killed the Prophet.

Abu Sufian then shouted: "There was some disfigurement of your men who were killed. I swear by Allah I was neither pleased nor displeased. I neither sanctioned this nor

forbade it." Abu Sufian was referring to what some men and women from Quraish, including his own wife, Hind bint Uthbah did with the bodies of those Muslims who were killed. They cut the noses and ears of the Muslim martyrs and made with them bracelets and necklaces. We have already referred to the fact that Hind opened the tummy of Hamzah, the Prophet's uncle, and tried to chew his liver.

Before he left, Abu Sufian also said: "Let us meet again in Badr next year." The Prophet instructed Umar to accept the challenge.

Now that the Quraish army was preparing to leave, the Prophet was worried that they might launch an attack on Madinah itself. He dispatched his cousin, Ali ibn Abu Talib and said: "Follow them and look what they do and what they intend. If they ride their camels in preference to their horses then their direction is Makkah. If, on the other hand, they ride their horses and let their camels follow them then their aim is Madinah." The Prophet said: "By Him who holds my soul in His hand if they want to attack Madinah I will march to them there and will fight them tooth and nail in Madinah." Ali soon came back with the news that the Quraish army were going back home.

The companions of the Prophet were tending him, and tried to treat his wounds. Abu Ubaidah Amir ibn al-Jarrah pulled out the two links of the Prophet's headscarf which were stuck in his cheek. The only way Abu Ubaidah could do that was to pull them out with his own teeth. As he pulled out the first one he lost one tooth. He lost another tooth as he pulled the other link. But he was so happy to do that that he refused to let anyone pull out the second link when they saw that he lost a tooth.

The Muslims began to look if any of the victims was still alive. The Prophet asked some of them to look for one of his companions, Sa'ad ibn al-Rabee'. A man found him badly wounded and told him: "The Prophet has asked me to find out whether you are dead or alive?" Sa'ad said: "I am one of the dead. Coovey my Salam (greeting) to Allah's messenger and tell him on my behalf that Sa'ad ibn al-Rabee' prays Allah to reward him as best He rewards a Prophet of His. Coovey also my greetings to our people and tell them that Sa'ad ibn al-Rabee' says to them that they can have no excuse in front of Allah if they let the Prophet be killed while one of them is still alive."

The Prophet himself went around the battlefield to look for the dead. When he stood over the body of his uncle, Hamzah, and saw how badly disfigured he was he felt so anguished and distressed by what he saw. He said: "I have never seen a more distressing and agonizing scene." He then looked at Mus'ab ibn Umair, of the Muhajereen, who was also killed wearing a short simple dress and said: "I saw you in Makkah when no one was more well dressed and more handsome than you. Now here you are with dust over your head, wearing nothing but this simple dress." He then looked at all those who were killed in the battle and said: "I am a witness for these. Any one who receive a wound while fighting for Allah's cause shall be resurrected with his wound bleeding, the color is that of blood and the smell is that of musk."

The Prophet then ordered that the victims be buried where they were killed. He asked his companions to wrap them as they were, without washing their wounds. Every two or three were stowed in one grave. In each grave the one who had more knowledge of the Qur'an was put ahead of his mates. The Prophet realized that his companions were extremely tired and he did not wish to exhaust their energies with digging a grave for every single person. The Muslims lost seventy martyrs in the battle of Uhud. Four of them were from the Muhajereen and the rest from the Ansar. Quraish, on the other hand, lost twentyfour killed.

This is how the battle of Uhud came to its conclusion. Obviously the battle provides many lessons for the Muslims of that generation as well as for those of every generation. We will start to look at these lessons over the following few weeks.

(To be continued next Friday)

The beneficial effects of zakah on society

In our discussion on the beneficiaries of zakah we noted that the purpose of assigning a share in the zakah funds to "those whose hearts are to be won over" and to the strugglers "for Allah's cause" is at least partly political. This is not surprising, because Islam is not a religion which concerns itself merely with the individual. It aims at building a society which implements its laws and conducts all its affairs on the basis of the divine legislation. The social structure then is an area in which Islam takes much interest.

Indeed, the whole system of zakah serves the society. When the zakah system looks after individuals and examines their needs in order to satisfy them, it also serves the society in a direct manner. When we help the poor, the needy, the invalid, the slaves, the insolvent debtors and the stranded wayfarers, we help spread love and compassion throughout society. When the poor realize that they have a share in the wealth of the rich which is theirs by right this helps them purge their hearts of any traces of envy and hatred. By assigning the role of supervision over the collection and distribution of zakah to the government, Islam emphasizes its social nature and ensures that the whole system is workable.

We have already said that zakah is a system of social security. It is, however, different from modern social security systems in two respects. First, it does not require any contributions from any individual before he becomes entitled to any benefit from it. Entitlement to benefit is related only to the person's need. What is more, the benefit is not fixed at a certain rate. It is commensurate with the need of the person concerned. Different people have different needs and what satisfies one may not satisfy the other. To fix a certain rate of benefit may favor some at the expense of others. Giving people what satis-

fies their needs, on the other hand, ensures that they remain free from any social pressure.

The second point is the fact that zakah looks after people with all sorts of needs: the chronically ill, the invalid, those who suffer from physical deformity, prisoners who do not have anyone to look after them, debtors and travelers. Indeed even marriage is considered a legitimate need and bachelors who cannot afford to get married may be helped from the zakah funds. What is more, the benefit of zakah is not limited to Muslims.

It is also significant that Islam laid down such an elaborate social security system at a time when social conditions did not require anything like it. Many countries, it is true, implement social security systems nowadays. This applies particularly to Western capitalist countries. The adoption of such a system is due, partly at least, to the fact that these countries wish to guard against a Marxist or Communist revolution. There was no such fear in Arabia at the time when Islam laid down its elaborate social security system. That Islam has brought such a radical change in the social outlook testifies to the fact that it is not the creation of a human being. It is the faith Allah has made suitable for human beings. After all, He knows them better than they know themselves.

Zakah also strengthens the spiritual character of the nation. Without a strong spiritual character, no nation can protect itself against the designs of stronger and ambitious nations. To help build the spiritual character of the Islamic nation the zakah system works in three different areas. First, it works for the liberation of every member of the society. While everyone should be free from all kinds of pressure, zakah emphasizes mainly the liberation of slaves. We should not

underestimate this provision simply because slavery is no longer flourishing in the world. Islam was the first system ever to legislate for the liberation of slaves. But this is not all. Islam appropriates special funds, with contributions from every Muslim who owns enough to pay zakah, for the express purpose of freeing slaves.

Secondly, the zakah system encourages people to do what is useful either to their fellow human beings or to the society as a whole. Every individual has an inexhaustible capacity to do good and beneficial things. Allah has not created this capacity within us so that we neglect it and cause it to die through inactivity. He has created it so that it plays its part. Hence we must develop this capacity in the same way as we develop the talents of our children so that they may be able to put them to good use. Only the individuals who develop their talents for beneficial social deeds serve the welfare of the society as a whole. The zakah system provides the means to develop such talents within Muslim society and makes such means available to every individual who is either a contributor to or a recipient of zakah funds.

Thirdly, when the zakah system is fully operational, it encourages people to implement all Islamic teachings and to put Islam into practice as a complete way of life.

Closely connected with this is the concept of struggle for Allah's cause. We must not forget that this struggle, with its military aspect, is unlike national or patriotic campaigns. It is first and foremost a struggle which defends the faith of Islam and protects it against its enemies. It also aims at the protection of the right of every human being to choose his faith freely, without coercion and without fear of any despotic authority.

Zakah has a very significant bearing on the type of society Islam establishes. It is a society in which the gap between the rich and the poor is decreasing all the time. It is an established fact that the society where the middle class is predominant, is the best society. This condition is best realized under Islam.

The zakah system is also a very effective method of solving the problem of begging. Begging is humiliating to the beggar and irritating to everyone else. While Islam makes begging forbidden except in certain specified situations it seeks to solve this problem by the provision of jobs for everyone who is able to work. Zakah funds can be used for this purpose without any hesitation. Those who cannot work due to physical disability are entitled to receive help from zakah funds.

Indeed there is no limit to the social uses zakah funds can be put to. As long as there is a service which strengthens the bonds of brotherhood within Muslim society and this service is legitimate it can be helped with zakah money. Thus in cases of quarrels between sections of the society, even if these sections were non-Muslim minorities zakah money can be used to establish peace between them. Similarly victims of natural disasters are entitled to help. As mentioned above zakah money may be used even to help bachelors get married and establish their homes.

Much more can be written on zakah and its effects. Our purpose in this series was to show that zakah is not merely a charity institution. We hope that we have achieved this in the present series. Readers who wish to know more about zakah are advised to refer to more comprehensive studies of this very important system. We are concluding the series here and we may return to the subject if the need arises.

Our Dialogue

Inter-faith marriages

Q. Dear Brother in Islam, I shall be grateful if you answer me the following three questions:-
 1. Are we Muslims allowed to marry non-Muslim women and convert them to Islam?
 2. What is the first prayer and the middle prayer of the day?
 3. What are the things to be done to a deceased Muslim from the time he dies until he is buried?

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A. 1. Muslim men are permitted to marry women of the followers of the two other divine religions, namely, Judaism and Christianity. If a Muslim marries a Jewess or a Christian he must not force her to convert to Islam. She may continue to follow her faith and her husband is supposed to make it possible for her to follow her religion and practise its duties in the same way as other followers of that religion. Islam does not accept compulsion in matters of faith. Such a wife may, if she wishes, convert to Islam, but it must be absolutely voluntary. There is no virtue in forcing anyone to embrace a faith in which he or she does not believe. Apart from Jewish or Christian women we are not allowed to marry the followers of any other denomination. Muslim women, on the other hand, may not marry anyone who is not a Muslim.

A. 2. The first prayer of the day is the noon prayer (*Dhuhr*). There are different opinions with regard to the middle prayer but it seems that the weightier view is that the mid after-

noon prayer (*Asr*) is the one referred to in the Qur'an as the middle prayer.

A. 3. When a person dies he or she should be given a wash of their bodies. The deceased is then rapped in a cloth which should preferably be white. All the body should be covered from head to toe. Then *janzazah* prayer is offered for the deceased before he or she is buried. It is strongly recommended that burial should take place as soon as possible after the death is confirmed. Quick burial is a gesture of honor to the deceased.

Secured loans or interest

Q. I come from southern Philippines. In money matters we follow a system under which if I borrow some money, say \$500, and I have a piece of land in which I grow coconut trees, all bearing fruit, the person who lends me the money is entitled to harvest all the fruits until I repay the full amount of my loan. Does Islam sanction such a transaction?

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A. This sort of transaction is undoubtedly forbidden. The general rule is that every loan which brings a benefit to the lender is forbidden. It is not only interest as practiced by banks and modern financial institutions that is unlawful. The principle is clear that he who lends anything is entitled to get back only what he has lent. He may not claim anything extra, whether in cash, kind or service.

If, for example, someone lends another a sum of money and agrees that the borrower pays back the same amount of money, whether he specifies a date for repayment or not, but makes it conditional on the borrower

giving him a certain service, such as fixing a light if the borrower is an electrician, then the whole transaction is forbidden. If, on the other hand, the borrower fixes the light for the lender voluntarily, without coercion or pressure, and without any implied understanding that fixing the light was part of the deal then the transaction is valid. The idea is that the additional benefit to the lender must not be a condition of the agreement. The only reward the lender should expect is Allah's for helping someone in need.

If it is argued, in the case you have mentioned, that the land and the trees are held by the lender as security for his loan he still cannot take the fruit for himself. What is pledged as security may not be exploited by the lender. Whatever fruit is yielded by it belongs solely to the owner.

The simple method of borrowing acceptable to Islam is that what is borrowed is paid back in full without anything extra. This does not mean that the borrower is not allowed to make a gesture of gratitude to the lender by offering him a gift. The condition by which that gift is made lawful is that the borrower offers absolutely out of his own free choice.

The Prophets' term of tenure

Q. 1. Did Allah's messengers, or the Prophets, have a fixed term of tenure or a certain period of time to complete their missions? Since they were ordinary human beings, selected for a certain task, did they revert to their original status when they had completed their missions? The Qur'an tells us nothing of what had happened to some of the Prophets or their people, such as Noah or Lot,

after they were saved by Allah from the punishment that overwhelmed their opponents. Can we assume that they became common people again and lost their status as messengers?

Q. 2. There is a common belief among Muslims of a second coming of Prophet Jesus. Is there any truth in this belief?

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A. 1. All the Prophets were human beings. The fact that they were chosen by Allah to be His messengers to mankind did not affect their status as human beings. At no time did any of them, including the most important five, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Muhammad, acquire any status which made him different from other human beings. They were selected to perform a certain mission. They were enabled by the fact that they were so chosen and by the fact that they fulfilled their missions with consistency, diligence and perfect submission to Allah.

A message from Allah could not be of a transient nature. It does not come to an end by itself. It is another thing that a certain people would change and distort a divine message. After all Allah's message to all prophets and all mankind was one. He did not give any Prophet a message which contradicted, in whole or in part, that of any other Prophet. When we read the Qur'an carefully this fact becomes clearly evident.

Every messenger kept his status until his death. Even when two or more messengers lived at the same time each had his role and

continued to fulfill it until his death.

The fact that the Qur'an does not tell us what happened to certain Prophets after they were saved is due to the nature of this divine book. It is not a history book concerned with giving a complete account of what happened to certain people. Allah tells us only what is of benefit to us in matters of faith. He tells us of the punishment that befall certain people so that we may take heed and accept His final message. That He has chosen not to tell us what happened to Noah or Lot after the floods or the rain with which the people of Sodom and Gomorrah were punished means only that part of their history is not of much use to us when we decide whether to accept the faith or not."

A. 2. There is a tradition of the Prophet which has been classified as "*hasan*", meaning adequately authentic, speaking of a second coming of Jesus Christ. It states clearly that the second coming will be before the day of judgment, not on that day, as you suggest. It says: "Jesus, son of Mary, shall come down as a just ruler. He will break the cross and stay on earth spreading justice."

To believe in the second coming of Jesus is not an important article of the Islamic faith. Since we believe that Allah is able to do everything He wishes and that Jesus was lifted to heaven, we should have no problem in believing in the possibility of his second coming, if Allah chooses to send him again.

Marriage while on leave

Q. Is it permitted to have a marriage contract when one is on leave in Sri Lanka, then to come back to work in Saudi Arabia? How long

can one remain absent from one's wife?

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A. There is nothing, from the Islamic point of view, to stop anyone from getting married at any time. If you marry while you are on leave the marriage is perfectly all right. If your wife consents to your absence away from home for purpose of work in Saudi Arabia or any other country then there is no specified period of time after which you have to see her. But if she does not consent to your absence, you may not leave her for more than four months at a time. If you do, she is entitled to file an application for nullification of the marriage. If the marriage is not consummated there is no fixed period for its consummation. This means that the marriage contract remains valid as long as both parties are happy with the situation.

Reply to Aslam Khan

Mr. Aslam Khan of Ras Tanura has sent me a letter questioning the contractual conditions of different groups of workers in Saudi Arabia. The whole subject of workers' contracts is beyond the scope of a column like "Islam in Perspective". The aim of this column is to help readers acquire a better understanding of Islam. Within this framework we welcome questions. We cannot entertain everything a person cares to comment on or a question if it does not relate directly to Islam and its teachings.

PARIS, Dec. 30 (AFP) — For the first time in three years the world of athletics did not concern itself almost exclusively with the bewildering exploits of Steve Ovett or Sebastian Coe. However, it was another Briton, decathlete Daley Thompson, who most surely took over from them as the outstanding competitor of 1982.

The 24-year-old Londoner, whose father is Nigerian and mother Scottish, won both the European and Commonwealth Championships (the latter for the second time) and twice broke the world record for the 10 events.

In Athens he regained his world standard from giant West German Jurgen Hingsen with an awesome performance, climaxed by the unforgettable sight of Thompson, bands on hips, looking down on his exhausted opponents strewn around him on the track at the end of the 1,500 meters. However, he was quick to poke fun at the image of himself as a superman. "I wanted to fall down, too," he said, adding: "But I couldn't find a place."

That sense of humor was not always evident as the Englishman appeared to become more irritable with inquisitive journalists, whom he claimed had ignored him in the past for Ovett and Coe — "mere runners" as the season went on.

Strong winds and the lack of competition in Brisbane ruled out record-breaking so he contented himself with winning the gold medal, encouraging his fellow athletes and being rude to the press.

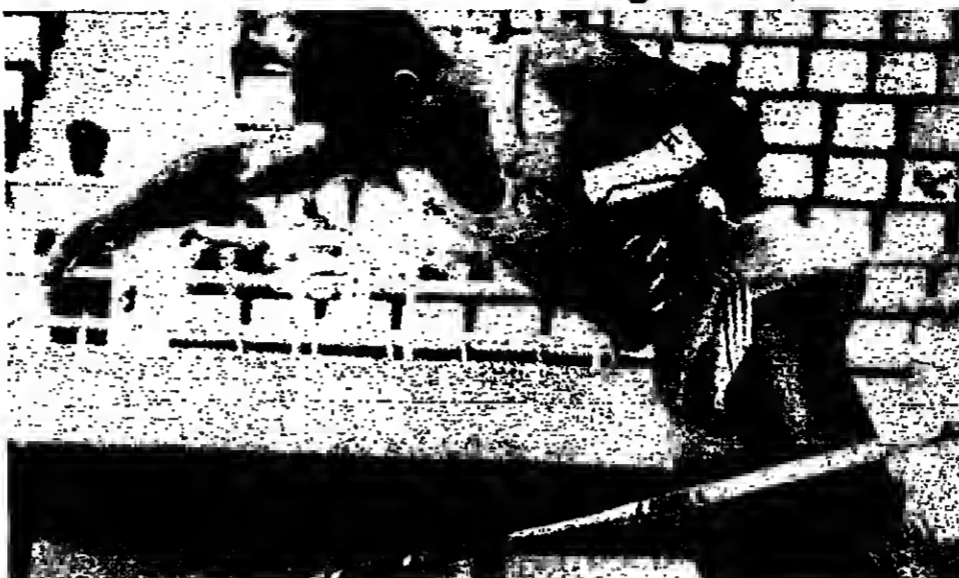
Off the track the major development in the sport was the International Amateur Athletic Federation's decision to finally sweep away much of the hypocrisy which has surrounded the money that many of the world's leading athletes receive illegally for competing.

Under the new concept, athletes will be able to earn appearance money as well as income from advertising and sponsorship, although it will have to be paid to the athlete's national federation and put in a trust fund.

The athlete can draw on this for basic

Thompson's triumph trumpets track tales

The year injuries halted Coe and Ovett's run of success



FLYING HIGH: Daley Thompson clearing the bar comfortably on his way to the decathlon world mark.

training needs but once he takes out money for an unapproved reason he is open to suspension. Only when he retires can he have free access to his "earnings."

The IAAF also decided to bring some order to the European circuit by introducing a new type of permit meeting at which appearance money can be paid. However, there is nothing to stop other meet organizers carrying on with under-the-table payments. Only the Soviet Union and Romania voted against the trust funds and these two countries and Poland were the objectors to the permit meetings schemes. East Germany abstained in both cases.

For both Ovett and Coe, 1982 was ruined by injuries. Coe came back from a stress fracture to compete in Athens, but lack of training caught up with him in the last 30 meters of the 800 meters when West Germany's unheralded Hans-Peter Ferner flashed past the world record holder for the biggest upset of the year.

Athens was also disappointing for Dave Moorcroft. The Englishman had pulverized Henry Rono's 5,000 meters world record in Oslo in July but he had an off day in Greece and it was another West German who benefited.

Thomas Wessinghage, a doctor who usually spends his time helping the Ovets and Coes of this world to break records, ran away from the field at the bell for a handsome victory. In fact, West Germany had a remarkably successful championship. Harald Schmid took the men's 400 meters. Harald Schmid improved his European record for the men's 400 meters hurdles (only American Edwin Moses has run faster). Patriz Ilg won the steeplechase and victories came in both the men's and women's high jump. Dietmar Mogenhart won the men's event and Ulrike Meyfarth triumphed in the women's competition.

Meyfarth, who needed almost 10 years to get over her sensational breakthrough as a

16-year-old schoolgirl gold medalist at the 1972 Munich Olympics, raised the world record to 2.02 meters (6 ft 7 1/2 in).

The great Marita Koch, who last year in the Rome World Cup was beaten for the first time since 1977 when Czechoslovakia's Jarmila Kratochvilova outgunned her, got her revenge in Athens with a scintillating world record of 48.15 secs.

Another East German, Marlies Gohr, who earlier in the year had equalled her world record of 10.88 secs, won the women's 100 meters. Surprisingly, it was her first gold medal since the 1978 Prague Championships. She lost to American Eve-

lyn Ashford in two World Cup meetings and was beaten by Lyudmila Kondratyeva of the Soviet Union in the Moscow Olympics.

While Coe and Moorcroft faltered in Athens, Steve Cram kept the British flag flying with a glorious piece of running in the 1,500 meters. The 21-year-old set about winning in true Herb Elliott style, accelerating away with 600 meters to go. He did not have to do that in Brisbane to win the Commonwealth title. No-one wanted to set the pace and everybody practically took a step back to leave Kenya's Mike Boit reluctantly in front. The race only came to life in the last 150 meters.

As Botham bags 100th Test wicket

England scrapes home in touch & go affair

MELBOURNE, Dec. 30 (AP) — England's nail-biting three-run win in the fourth Test at the Melbourne Cricket Ground Thursday must rank as one of the most dramatic finishes in the 105 year history of competition between the two countries.

Australia were dismissed for 288 in their second innings after 84 minutes play Thursday — four runs short of their 292 target to sew up the Ashes series. Allan Border was unbeaten on 62 and Jeff Thomson made 21 before being caught by Geoff Miller in the slips off the bowling of Ian Botham.

At the start of play Thursday, Australia needed 37 runs to win with only one wicket to fall and Border and Thomson got within one scoring shot of victory. But it was Botham's historic 100th wicket against Australia that grabbed the marginal win for England.

The two principal Australian actors in the dramatic finish had their problems — the ace left-hander Border was called on for a supreme effort against a background of failure over 12 months in New Zealand, Pakistan and then around Australia.

And the other principal was a tailender whose prime task was to stay away from the strike in favor of his more skilled batting partner. But when Thomson cut Botham's first ball of his fourth over into the juggling hands of Chris Tavare at first slip and then into the sound grasp of Miller he had come within an ace of pulling off the incredible task.

The pair had put on 70 runs in 129 minutes for the last-wicket and skipper Greg Chap-

pell said: "I couldn't stand too many more like that — it was the closest Test I've ever played."

The fifth and final Test starting at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Sunday will be a make or break situation for both teams. England has to win the match to square the series two-all and retain the Ashes.

There was no panic -- Willis

"There was no panic at any stage," Willis said when asked if he had been becoming panicky with Australia so near to victory. "It is not a word in my vocabulary."

"There is no point in panicking, just a matter of keeping on going to the bitter end. I didn't come out here to give Australia the Ashes."

Willis praised fast bowler Norman Cowans. "He has done a lot of hard work, hour after hour at the nets, and it was really oppressive out there and he kept charging in

at them all the time," said Willis. "I had to kick him up the backside occasionally. We had the skeleton of a great fast bowler in England and had to put the flesh on him out here before he became a great fast bowler."

Willis was extremely confident that the morale boosting win would enable England to retain the Ashes. "We have seen Australia collapse before. If we get enough runs and put them under pressure I think we can win the fifth Test in Sydney and hold the Ashes," he added.

It was nerve shattering -- Greg

An emotionally drained Greg Chappell, heaped praise on Allan Border and Jeff Thomson and their magnificent bid. "The situation looked good when drinks came at noon and I didn't send any special messages out," said Chappell.

"Allan Border was under pressure but the demand brought out the best in him — he is a great player. But his hard going into a back to back situation in Sydney later in the week.

Australia need only draw the final Test to regain the Ashes held by England since the series in England in 1977. England skipper Bob Willis, elated at his narrow win said: "The pressure is now on Australia."

The MCG gates were thrown open this morning as the sports hungry cricket fans swarmed through the gate. Officials estimated that 10,000 were present when Cowans bowled the first ball of the day of Thomson. But the numbers swelled visibly as the dramatic fight commenced and officials revised their estimate to 18,000.

Many experienced crowd estimators however believe the figure to be nearer 20,000 by the time Botham shattered Australia's hopes of victory at 12.28 when he dismissed Thomson.

Willis opened with Cowans and later brought Botham into the attack when the West Indian failed to secure a breakthrough. Border and Thomson picked up cheeky runs around the wicket and Thomson drew on all the experience of his 46 Tests as he coolly played batsman-like strokes to the three England pace bowlers.

Border was attempting to mastermind the run quest but Willis countered his tactics dropping the field deep for the left-hander and tightening the pressure with an attacking plan to tailender Thomson.

The crowd roared as the Australians whirled away at the target. Chappell's "Border, Border" came from the public stands.

Willis took the new ball after 85 overs but the Australian pair were unabashed and continued to pluck up runs. The air grew tense as Border glanced Willis for two to face to bring the total to 288 for nine, leaving four runs to go which never came.

The man of the match was England's fast bowler Norman Cowans, who "claimed" six wickets for 77 in Australia's second innings of 288.



AND ANOTHER FALLS: England players (left to right) Norman Cowans, Bob Taylor, Geoff Miller and Ian Botham are all joy as Rodney Marsh is trapped leg before wicket by Cowans on the fourth day of the fourth Test against Australia in Melbourne.

Score-board	
England (1st innings):	284
Australia (1st innings):	287
England (2nd innings):	294
Australia (2nd innings):	288
J. Dyson c Tavaré b Botham	31
K. Wessels b Cowans	14
G. Chappell c sub b Cowans	3
K. Hughes c Taylor b Miller	48
D. Hookes c Willis b Cowans	68
A. Border not out	62
R. Marsh lbw Cowans	13
B. Yardley c Cowans	0
G. Lawson c Cowans b Pringle	7
R. Hogg lbw Cowans	4
J. Thomson c Miller b Botham	21
Extras	13
Total	288
Fall of Wickets: 1-37, 2-39, 3-71, 4-71, 5-73, 6-190, 7-190, 8-202, 9-218.	
Bowling: Willis 17-0-57-0; Cowans 26-6-77-6; Botham 25-1-4-80-2; Pringle 12-4-26-1; Miller 16-6-30-1.	

Despite Walters' fine display

Villa held by Ipswich

LONDON, Dec. 30 (AFP) — European champions, Aston Villa, and opponents Ipswich Town both halted a run of three successive English Soccer First Division League defeats by Drawing 1-1 Wednesday night. It was the first stalemate at Villa Park this season.

Villa had the better of the play throughout but, despite some brilliant individual skills from former England youth international Mark Walters, they only had a 19th minute goal from Peter Withe to show for their efforts.

It was an encouraging night for Nigel Spink, replacing the dropped Jimmy Rimmer in goal, but he was beaten by a John Wark header after 44 minutes which earned Ipswich their welcome point.

It was only the second league appearance of Spink. Villa's hero in last season's European Cup victory over Bayern Munich in Rotterdam where he had to replace the injured Rimmer after only eight minutes.

Watford moved into third place in the First Division by beating West Ham two one in front of 24,870 people — their second biggest crowd of the season.

West Ham were only in contention during the last 15 minutes after a controversial pen-

alty, awarded when Alan Devonshire fell in the area. Ray Stewart scored from the spot to reduce the arrears after Kenny Jackett (59 minutes) and Ross Jenkins (58) had given Watford a commanding lead.

Queen's Park Rangers ended a poor run of results by beating Charlton 1-3 away, to draw level on points with Wolverhampton Wanderers at the top of the Second Division.

Charlton-born Gary Mickle White scored twice as Rangers went three-up after 70 minutes. Steve White pulled a goal back eight minutes from the time for Charlton, whose consolation was their top gate this season of 13,306.

Petrovic joins Arsenal

Meanwhile, Arsenal Wednesday completed the signing of Yugoslav international midfielder Vladimir Petrovic from Red Star Belgrade.

Petrovic, who cost Arsenal 750,000 pounds, was set to join the London team in July, but was refused a clearance by the Yugoslav Football Association. He was to become a free agent on January 1 and Arsenal clinched his signature despite stiff competition from a number of continental clubs.

Soccer results	
Aston Villa	0 Ipswich Town
Swansea	0 Birmingham
Watford	2 West Ham
Blackburn	2 Oxford
Charlton	1 Q.P. Rangers
Derby	2 Shrewsbury
Bristol	4 Exeter
Wigan	1 Walsall

BRIEFS

MELBOURNE, (AP) — Spearheaded by veteran Victorian Walker Willis Savall, Australia soundly defeated a disappointing Italian athletics team in the International Track meet at Melbourne Olympic Park here Thursday night. Australia won the six challenge events over 800, 1,500, 5,000 and 10,000 meters along with the 3,000 meter steeplechase and 10,000 meter walk.

LEICESTER, (AFP) — The Barbarians were crushed 16-36 by Leicester in Wednesday. Rugby Union clash, despite turning round 7-4 ahead. The man who did the damage was flying Leicester winger Barry Evans who dived over for a hat-trick of tries.

EAST GERMANY, (AFP) — East Germany's Gunter Schmieder won a six-nation combined Nordic Skiing competition which ended here Thursday. Schmieder was the victor of Wednesday's jumping event, beating the Soviet Union's World junior vice-champion Sergei Schorikov.

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As Mavericks crash in overtime

Malone does the trick for 76ers

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP) — The Philadelphia 76ers used some movie time — and overtime — to beat the Dallas Mavericks.

"We saw the films from the game they almost won at Los Angeles and we knew we'd have our hands full," said 76ers coach Billy Cunningham after Wednesday night's 126-116 National Basketball Association victory over the Mavericks.

The 76ers, the NBA's winningest team with a 24-3 record, needed a 32-point, 24-rebound performance from Moses Malone and 36 points from Andrew Toney to put down the stubborn Mavericks. Malone's rebound total was the most ever against the Mavericks by one player.

The 76ers, who have won 11 of their last 13 games, scored 10 straight points in overtime, burying Dallas 14-4. Dallas, which built a 15-point lead and owned a 57-54 halftime margin, was paced by Mark Aguirre, who had 34 points. Jay Vincent added 29.

The 76ers now are 10-3 on the road and 5-0 against the Mavs. "In the first half, we let

Dallas take it away from us," said Cunningham. "In the second half, we got our running game together and began to play as we should. In the overtime, we won it on the defensive end."

In other NBA games, it was New Jersey 104, Atlanta 99; New York 91, Cleveland 87; Washington 94, Milwaukee 87; San Antonio 124, San Diego 115; Seattle 109, Utah 92, and Los Angeles 120, Golden State 110.

Nets 104, Hawks 99: Darwin Cook scored 11 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter as New Jersey held off a late rally by Atlanta to register its fourth straight victory. Cook triggered a 7-2 scoring burst midway through the last quarter that boosted the Nets into a 92-86 lead.

After Atlanta closed the gap to 98-85 in the last minute of the game on a three-point basket by Rony Sparrow, Cook hit three clutch free throws.

Knicks 91, Cavaliers 87: Bernard King scored eight of his 25 points in the last six minutes to spark New York over Cleveland.

WBA explains Mendoza's slipup

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, Dec. 30 (AP) — A World Boxing Association official says the WBA's president was misinformed when he said the organization wouldn't sanction the Feb. 26 fight between featherweight champion Eusebio Pedroza and challenger Rocky Lockridge.

Ed Brown, the WBA vice-president for North America, said President Gilberto Mendoza mistakenly believed Nevada is only authorizing 12-round title bouts when he said Monday the WBA wouldn't sanction the fight in Las Vegas.

However, Brown said he informed Mendoza that Nevada plans to sanction both 12-round title bouts and 15-round title bouts. He said Mendoza then withdrew his objection to the fight.

Brown, who is also on the Nevada Athletic Commission, said a "language problem" led Mendoza to believe that Nevada had drafted a regulation allowing only 12-round title bouts. The rival World Boxing Council recently announced it would only host 12-round title bouts because of safety considerations.

With 1:33 remaining, Cleveland closed to within two at 87-85 on a jump shot by Cliff Robinson, but King countered with another jump shot with 26 seconds left to give the Knicks an 89-85 lead and their eventual winning points.

Cleveland was paced by World Free with 28 points and Scott Wedman with 24.

Bullets 94, Bucks 87: Greg Ballard scored 23 points and Kevin Grevey added 19 to lead Washington over Milwaukee and snap the Bucks' three-game winning streak.

The Bullets led 85-76 with 5:27 to play, but the Bucks scored seven straight points to cut the gap to 85-83 with 2:40 remaining. But two foul shots by Ballard, another by Jeff Ruland and a layup by rookie Bryan Warrick put the Bullets ahead 90-85 with 1:18 left and Milwaukee didn't threaten again.

Spurs 124, Clippers 115: Artis Gilmore scored 24 points and Mike Mitchell added 21 as San Antonio defeated San Diego and snapped a three-game losing streak. The loss was San Diego's 29th in 30 road games.

Leading 80-75 late in the third quarter, San Antonio ran off 13 straight points to go ahead 93-75 with 1:03 left in the period. The Clippers never got closer than six points the rest of the way.

Seattle 109, Utah 92: Gus Williams scored 20 points to lead a balanced attack as Seattle rolled past Utah. Seattle played without center Jack Sikma, who sprained his right ankle in practice Tuesday. And the Jazz went without forward Adriaan Dantley, sidelined with torn ligaments.

Forward Jeff Wilkins scored 21 points and pulled down a game-high 15 rebounds to lead Utah, which has won only one game in 19 all-time tries in Seattle. The Sonics' defense, for the fifth consecutive game, limited their opponents to less than 96 points.

Los Angeles 120, Golden State 110: Magic Johnson scored 27 points and Jamaal Wilkes added 22 to lead Los Angeles over Golden State. The Lakers, leading the NBA's Pacific Division with a 23-6 record, pulled away from the Warriors in the second quarter. Golden State center J.B. Carroll had 21 of his 25 points in the first half, despite being double-teamed by the Lakers, who were called twice for shifting into an illegal defense.

From Hastings tourney

Ivanov forced to withdraw

HASTINGS, England, Dec. 30 (AP) — Soviet defector Igor Ivanov was forced to drop out of the 54th Annual Hastings International Chess Tournament Wednesday after being denied a British visa in an apparent mix-up, tournament officials said.

They said Ivanov, a Canadian grandmaster, was stranded for two days in New York after the British consulate refused to grant him an entry visa, contrary to instructions from London. The consulate's decision was reversed two hours later, but by then Briton Mark Hebden had been chosen as a substitute.

Tournament organizers said they will make a formal complaint to the British government concerning the mix-up. Ivanov will be invited to the tournament next year, they said.

In second-round play Wednesday, Britain's 17-year-old Nigel Short and Soviet grandmaster Rafael Vaganian became the frontrunners at one win and one draw each. Short defeated Czechoslovakia's Ljubomir Fracnik in a match that was adjourned Tuesday and then played to a draw against Hungarian Ivan Farsago.

After drawing his first match, Vaganian beat his former compatriot Anatoly Lein in 42 moves. Lein, 51, emigrated to the United States in 1972 and now lives in Union City,



Sandy Lyle...wins with just one vote margin.

Lyle snatches

British honors

LONDON, Dec. 30 (AP) — Scotsman Sandy Lyle was Wednesday named British Golf personality for 1982.

The 24-year-old who won the Lawrence Batley Tournament last season and who finished second to Australian Greg Norman in the European money list, earned the nomination by a one vote margin from a panel of golf writers. He narrowly beat fellow-Scot, Gordon Brand Junior, who has already been named as "rookie of the year." Yet another Scot — Sam Torrance — finished in third place.

Lyle, who will receive his 2,500 pounds sterling prize at a presentation ceremony early in the New Year, was adjudged the winner largely on the merit of his magnificent performance in reaching the final of the Sun-tory World Matchplay Championship at Wrentham in October, losing to Severiano Ballesteros of Spain on the 37th green.

New Jersey. Twenty-six-year-old Ronald Henley of Houston, Texas drew his first round game with Briton Paul Littlewood in 73 moves and has adjourned his second round game in a double-edged position against Soviet player Vladimir Tukmakov.

Meanwhile, Jaan Ehlvest of the Soviet Union defeated Czechoslovakia's Igor Stohl in ninth-round action to stay on top of the standings in the European Junior Chess Championship in the Netherlands.

Playing white in a Caro-Kann, Ehlvest profited from Stohl's aimless maneuvering in the middle game to win a pawn. He carefully built up a superior position and secured victory in the end game at his 40th move.

The win kept the Russian half a point ahead of Denmark's Curt Hansen, who had an easy game against Juergen Graf of West Germany in Wednesday's round. Alon Greenfeld was held to a draw with black in 49 moves from an English opening against Scotland's Mark Condie, but remained in third position, one point behind Hansen.

Condie shared the fourth place with Holland's Friso Nijboer, who moved up in the standings on the strength of a lucky win with black in 37 moves from a Ruy Lopez against Belgium's Pierre Moulin.

At Pebble Beach

Sheehan forges ahead

PEBBLE BEACH, California, Dec. 30 (AP) — Patty Sheehan, one of five women competing in the \$150,000 Spalding Invitational Golf Tournament, began play with a pair of birdie holes and posted a 5-under-par 66 Wednesday to take the first-round lead.

Another star from the women's tour, Janet Coles, shot a 67 to tie Mike Brannan for second place. Kathy Whitworth was three shots behind the leader at 69.

Those trailing Sheehan by several strokes included Masters champion Craig Stadler, who opened with a 2-over 73 at the Carmel Valley Country Club Course.

Carmel Valley is one of three courses used in the non-tour event. The others, Pebble Beach and Old Del Monte, are par 72s.

Sheehan, Coles and Brannan all played Carmel Valley on Wednesday. The best score at Pebble Beach, by far the most difficult of the courses, was a 68 by John Mahaffey.

The 26-year-old Sheehan had five birdies and no bogeys in her round which featured accurate approach shots. She made an 18-foot birdie putt at the par-3 fifth. Playing conditions were excellent Wednesday, except for fairly strong winds at Pebble Beach.

Tied at 68 with Mahaffey, who won the Spalding two years ago were U.S. Open champ Andy North and San Francisco area club pro Ron Hoyt.

Those at 69, along with Whitworth, included Bobby Clampett, Lon Hinkle, George Archer, Peter Oserhuis, and Rex

Caldwell. Mark Lye and Bruce Soper, who were the only golfers at Pebble Beach, were champion Jay Haas and Johnny Miller, who were a group at 71.

Babich pilots Jets past Kings

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP) — Pittsburgh's Dave Babich, leading scorer among NHL Hockey League defencemen, scored on a 40-foot slapshot with just 0:35 left to help the Jets to a 4-3 win over the Los Angeles Kings Wednesday night.

In other matches, team captain Rick Middleton scored the second goal of the game, on a power play, in 10:43 of the third period, lifted forward Ron Fendley to a 6-5 victory over the Montreal Canadiens and ended a 10-game Maple Leaf losing streak.

Joe Mullen and Blake Dunlop scored in the third period to give the St. Louis Blues a 3-2 win over the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Will Plett's power play goal in 2:17 of the third period gave them Minnesota a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Red Wings.

Sweden beat the United States 4-1 in the World Junior Ice Hockey final in Lulea, Sweden. Swedish scorers were Elmhult (1st), Lundstrom (3rd) and Soder (4th). The American scorers were Gagne (1st), (5th).

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Dog Detective Ranjha

② Training up in the hills

By Pratap Sharma

The family and I went up to Mahabaleshwar in the hills for four months. It was a working holiday. Woof was writing a novel and I was training to be a detective. I would get my lessons every morning and evening when we went for our walks. The rest of the time Woof would be busy at his desk. But actually I was so keen to become a fulfilled detective that kept in training all the time. I sniffed out squirrels, jumped over flower-beds, ran up and down steps — you never know what a detective might not have to do when after his quarry. I investigated every nook and corner of the big house we had rented and carried out all suspicious-looking objects such as slippers, socks and half-used pencils. Once, I felt sure there was something hiding inside a cushion. Of course, I didn't sniff to make certain. Had I done so I would have known at once that there was nothing there except stuffing. It was just a hunch, and I played the hunch. I gnawed at the cushion, worried it all over the floor and managed to rip it apart, just to check.

That began the distasteful side of my training. I was scolded, smacked on the bottom and made to sit quietly in a corner. It was Wuff who was more angry than Woof and it was she who always dealt a little more firmly with me. Woof is a bit of a softie. I only have to whine, put my ears back and my head between my paws and he will pet and console me — if Wuff isn't looking. She believes absolutely in the value of punishment; he believes in good deeds followed by reward. Between them they taught me to distinguish right from wrong.

Though Wuff was harder with me sometimes, I saw right from the start that she needed my protection more. Most of all, of course, I realized that the baby was a helpless dithering thing that padded about smiling and gurgling, ready to trust any stranger. So I naturally began to take particular care of the baby and Wuff.

I had learnt to sit and lie down on command — and Woof always rewarded me with a little tidbit if I did these right — and now I was taught to stay by the pram and not let anyone touch the baby unless Woof said it was all right. I was rather pleased that he gave me this responsibility. Also I could see that he appreciated the fact that I was growing faster than the baby. We were both about the same age — six months now — but I could run, jump, feed myself, carry a newspaper or a little basket, and I could understand far more words than she. So I really was a sort of elder brother to her.

One day I heard Woof saying to Wuff, "The one thing we must never do in front of the dog is scold or smack the baby. Otherwise, he might get the idea that when we are not around he could punish her, too."

Very wise, I must say. I've heard from other dogs how their intentions were often mistaken and they were beaten, and how some others had even been put to sleep forever for only doing what they had so often seen their master and mistress do. I was taught to take any kind of misbe-

havior by the baby and not to even take her hand in my mouth the way I might with Woof or Wuff.

But all this came more or less naturally to me — I didn't really need to be taught to love the baby.

My real training took place during our walks. Mahabaleshwar has lovely wooded paths and clearings. In these clearings, I was taught to retrieve. Woof would throw something — a bone, a ball, a stick — and I was expected to bring it back. At first I didn't quite understand what I was to do. I would chase after the object all right but I didn't always bring it back to him. I often just ran about with it and expected Woof to chase me for it. I had seen other dogs do that and I thought it would be fun. But Woof refused to chase me. He just stood there with a piece of meat or a bit of biscuit in his hand waiting for me to bring the object to him. Sometimes, of course, the temptation of the reward made me go straight up to him and

But little did I realise what fun retrieving can be — if you have to find the object. Just picking up a stick or ball bringing it back is no challenge to an intelligent dog but choosing the right object to carry back is. And step by step, Woof was leading me to it.

Now, on our walks, he would pick up a twig much like any other and rub his hands on it. Then, holding me by the collar, he would throw the twig into the woods so that it was lost among the numerous twigs on the ground. Then he would give me the scent of his hands by cupping his palms over my nose and with the command, "Seek-Fetch!" he would let me off.

Into the woods I would go, scrambling through bramble and bush, sniffing the leaves and twigs. Then bang! It would go tingling right up my nostrils — the scent of Woof's hands. But where did it come from now? Sniff, sniff, sniff. Not here, not there. Not this, not that. And — ah! — I would have it, one particular twig out of all those



Illustrations by Abdurahim Alireza

deliver the object. Then he would reward me and pet me. Soon his petting became enough reward for me.

But, I must confess, I wasn't always inclined to go straight back to him. I felt he was taking it too easy, he wasn't working for his reward the way I was, so I sometimes just carried the object off here and there and worried it. Then Woof would start walking in the opposite direction and I would scamper after him thinking he was going to leave me behind — but when I was abreast of him he would bend down and take the object from me. I knew I had been tricked. After a few times of this, I decided to be cleverer and I would simply follow at a safe distance. If he called me to heel, I would drop the object before going to him. Then he did a very cunning thing indeed.

He put the choke-collar on me and tried a long length of cord to it. When he next threw a stick for me I went off after it not realizing that this length of cord was rolling out behind me.

I picked up the stick but the moment I began to run away with it, he began reeling me in gently as though I were a fish.

A few times of this and I decided that it was best to return the stick to him and get on with something else which was more fun.

twigs and leaves.

Soon I was easily sniffing out twigs with Wuff's scent on them too, and then, of course, Woof began asking strangers to help. They were all quite interested to do so, so I began taking one sniff of a stranger's hand or his handkerchief and off I would go to bring back the object he had thrown.

The woods of Mahabaleshwar are full of the most fascinating smells. There are the fragrances of all the different flowers and leaves and trees. There are the smells of the ponies and the buffaloes and cows and the men who walk with them. There are the droppings of guinea fowl and pheasant and all kinds of birds. There are the sudden strange odors of wild boar and hare and the swift, slip panther. Here a snake stopped to sun itself; there a band of merry monkeys loped across.

On the banks of the lake, where you may always see holiday-makers rowing in boats, you get whiffs of fish and moss and water-weeds. On the quieter jungle side where few people go, you can make out the scent and tracks of hyenas that came the night before. And by the rivers you can smell out the spots used by washerwomen to soap the clothes. The troupes of woodcutters and their women who walk single-file through



the jungle leave their own trails — one perfume mingling and winding upon another odor, one aroma of food carried in a bag merging with another of tobacco in a pouch. And the body scents are quite fantastic and quite individual. No two human beings smell alike. Their clothes, their shoes, the food they eat, or the things they smoke and chew — each of these combine with their states of health to make the body scent unique.

Learning to make full use of my ability to sniff out and track was an exhilarating, overpowering experience. I often felt the blood rush up to my head and my nostrils quivering and sometimes I felt the excitement was so strong that I would collapse if I didn't rush forward to the end of the trail. Sometimes the sheer joy of advancing on a track with the scent growing stronger so filled my being that I thought I would burst like a balloon. If I went on for miles, I exhausted me, I would have to lie down then and rest and I would feel oh so thirsty!

My tracking lessons had begun with Woof laying trails about the house with little bits of boiled meat. That was easy work.

Then he took me out to a group of strangers. He made me take the scent of one of them, then he sent me off to retrieve that man's handkerchief from among a number that were on the ground. That was easy too. I had already done this with the bits of wood and twigs.

Then one morning I realized that something new was afoot. Woof tried to put a harness on me. It was too big, and one of the men standing about said, "He's only a puppy yet. You're teaching him much too early."

Woof said, "It's never too early to learn." He put the harness aside and with some webbing he improvised a harness for me. It went comfortably round my neck and

around my belly and was tied in a knot on my back, then it extended for many feet. Woof could now hold on to it and follow me. It took me some time to realize that I was expected to lead him and that he couldn't smell the scent that I was smelling.

No sooner was I snugly in the harness than a startling event took place which set me off on my first man track. It must have all been prearranged to make me interested in giving chase, but all I understood then was that a huge, hulking brute of a man leapt out of some bushes with a stick in his hand and tried to attack Woof.

Immediately concerned for my master, I jumped snarling at the man.

The man now made threatening gestures with his stick and as he circled about I stood between him and Woof, barking and snapping at him to stay away if he valued his skin.

Then suddenly, to my surprise, the man turned on his heel and ran away. I strained at the harness but Woof wouldn't let me go. I wanted very much to catch the man; it was quite frustrating. However, I felt relieved that I had managed to frighten him away.

But that was not all. By this time the attacker had run beyond the bushes, out of sight. Woof now pointed to the ground and said, "Track."

The moment I put my nose down, I caught the attacker's scent and, by golly, I wanted to catch him! So we set off. I didn't even realize that I was already tracking!

We went down a path and I was just running on when I realized that the attacker's secret had gone. It wasn't there anymore. I turned in a short circle and — wham! — there it was again, clinging to the blades of grass and the thistles and twigs. I was so anxious now that I couldn't help giving a low moaning cry: now I know that it is the cry that comes to me only when I am hot on the trail. So I gave this cry — which is not quite a

back, not quite a yelp, not quite a groan — and I set off into the bushes with Woof holding on to the long lead of the harness and following about two yards behind.

The scent was very strong now. It was like following the smell of food and suddenly finding your nose in the hot cooking pot. There he was! He stood there with the stick upraised and I barked at him but again I was held back by Woof. Then just as the man swung the stick down, Woof shouted, "Dis-arm," and gave me some play on the lead. I naturally jumped and caught the stick and wrenched it out of the man's hand. The man suddenly seemed to become very timid and he just stood there quietly. Now Woof said to me, "Ranjha, drop it." This is what he says when I have retrieved something and he wants me to deliver it, so I gave Woof the stick. Then he said, "Ranjha, sit, stay."

I wanted to jump at the man but Woof repeated the command firmly and I obeyed. After all, Woof is my master.

Then Woof reached into a plastic bag which he took out of his pocket and he gave me a delicious tidbit to eat. I was glad he appreciated my work.

Then to my surprise he went up to the attacker and began to chat calmly. They were behaving like old friends. I was bewildered. Woof put an arm round the man's shoulder and patting him said clearly, "All right, Friend."

The man started to walk away and I half-rose to stop him. But Woof said, "Ranjha, not sit, stay." And after a while he repeated, "All right, Friend."

The man had by now walked away. Woof patted me profusely and hugged me and kept saying, "Good dog, Ranjha. Good dog." He was very, very pleased with me. I was delighted. I licked his hands and face and wagged my tail and we celebrated our first successful track.

(To be continued next Friday)

Seaweed for decorative art works

By Adrienne Moore

JEDDAH — Seaweed from the Red Sea, emerald green and delicate as lace, can be used to decorate cards or create miniature works of art.

"Seaweed art," as it is known, is an extension of the ancient Japanese process known as "oshibana," or pressed dried flowers. This popular art form from Japan is now practiced in many countries around the world.

Yori Kagawa learned the process from a friend in Hawaii. Now she is teaching others at her apartment at King Abdulaziz International Airport where she lives with her husband, an architect.

The Kagawas have lived in Jeddah for four years. "There is a nice variety of seaweed available in Jeddah," Mrs. Kagawa explains, "and it is easy to get from the Red Sea along the Corniche."

Mrs. Kagawa is a strong believer in using natural materials that are available in one's own environment. Too often, she feels, these things are ignored or overlooked. "Beautiful things can be made out of materials that are all around us," she believes.

Here is how Mrs. Kagawa goes about preparing one of her seaweed art works:

First she places the seaweed in a shallow pan filled with water. Then she slips watercolor cards into the water, one at a time, and

arranges seaweed on the cards under water, making sure that the seaweed lies on the card in a natural, flowing way.

After she has the seaweed attractively arranged, she takes the cards out of the water and sets them aside to dry. When they are just about dry, she places them between the pages of a heavy book. After they are fully dry and pressed flat, she mounts the watercolor cards



SEAWED: There is a rich variety of seaweed available in the Red Sea.

on stationery, using a light coating of glue to attach it securely.

The Jeddah homemaker also makes oshibana-decorated stationery, using a wide variety of local flowers and leaves that have been pressed for a week or more. "Weeds are beautiful too," she says. "Anything that retains air and has color can be used in the oshibana process."

Once the flowers, leaves or weeds are pressed flat, she arranges them on stationery. "The trick is to make the arrangement pleasing to the eye, as though you were creating a live flower arrangement in a vase or a dish."

Next, she places a sheet of thin rice paper on top of the arrangement, taking care not to disturb the design. Then she covers the rice paper with a light glue solution. Once the glue is dry, she again places the cards between the pages of a heavy book until the arrangement is firmly set. Then she glues it to a larger card to create an attractive, unique piece of stationery or miniature artwork for framing.

Mrs. Kagawa completed a workshop on oshibana and seaweed art this month and is planning another around the beginning of the year. "For a lot of people, it is a new and different art form and everyone is able to make their own special arrangements."

Mrs. Kagawa firmly believes that everyone has some measure of creative ability. For her, watching this ability develop is half the fun.

Trade zones in 3rd World run by women

By Zanita Careem

COLOMBO — Over 85 percent of the work force at Sri Lanka's Free Trade Zone are women. This female predominance is one of the most salient features of trade zones in the Third World, particularly Asia, according to a recent report released by the Sri Lanka People's Bank.

The report also reveals many interesting details about the age composition and civil status of the labor. According to the report, 75 to 85 percent of the female workers are below 25 years of age. What is of even more significance is the fact that nearly all of them are single. These characteristics, says the report, have led some to describe the young female as the new industrial proletariat of the free trade zones of the Third World. The economic logic behind this feminine invasion of free trade zones seems to be that they are the cheapest of the cheap Third World labor.

Obviously the large numbers of young women seeking employment in Asian countries constitute a huge industrial army which can be pressed into service any time. While this is the rather obvious reason why there are so many women employees in the free trade zones in Sri Lanka and other Asian countries, some feminist groups have drawn attention to some other factors which make them preferable to men. One is their docile nature. Another is their willingness to do dull, monotonous and labor-intensive work without much protest or murmur. They point out that if subjected to the same working conditions, men would grow restless and agitated and would articulate their grievances through organized action.

The report published by the Sri Lanka People's Bank states that one of the factors attracting international capital to FTZs in Asia is that some industries, by their very nature, are unable to automate and are therefore heavily dependant on manual labor. But labor is very expensive in developed countries. So this type of industries, especially those manufacturing garments and electronic goods can more profitably be operated in Asian countries where cheap labor is available in plenty — especially women whom centuries of subjugation have made so submissive and docile.

Bean curd—Chinese favorite

TAIPEI — With the exception of rice, bean curd, or *tofu*, is probably the most popular food in China. Bean curd is not only inexpensive and high in nutrients, but also readily lends itself to all the many regional cuisines of China. Often when families sit down to eat there is at least one dish made from bean curd on the table.

Bean curd is made from soy beans, of which northern China produces 80 percent of the world's total output. Soy beans are a big export item and also are a staple food.

Soft, white, bean curd has a delicate flavor all its own. When eaten alone, it is matchless for its cool and refreshing taste. It can also be used in any dish, and will blend in perfectly while still retaining its own unique flavor.

In Kiangsu there is a saying, "Bean curd is better to eat than meat. It is both economical and nutritious." According to scientific analysis, bean curd is chiefly composed of protein, vegetable fat, amino acids, and many vitamins. In addition, it contains more protein than any other vegetable food and is even higher in protein than many types of meat. An additional benefit is that bean curd is low in cholesterol, so it is perfect for those who suffer from arteriosclerosis, heart disease, high blood pressure, or diabetes. Dieters also enjoy bean curd as it is low in calories.

Legend has it that bean curd was invented by Liu An during the rule of Emperor Hsiao Wen of Han in approximately 200 B.C. Soon it spread far and wide over northern China and by Tang times had even reached Japan, Korea, and Southeast Asia. Times have

changed, yet interest in bean curd has never waned. Today there are many different types of bean curd. The most popular are tender bean curd, aged bean curd, dried bean curd, and of course, smelly bean curd — the Limburger of Chinese cuisine.

Bean curd, itself, can be used as the main ingredient of many dishes. Some of the more popular varieties include Ma Po's bean curd, bakka stuffed bean curd, family style bean curd, and braised bean curd.

The first step in bean curd production is selection of the beans. Currently almost all of the soy beans used in the Republic of China are purchased from the U.S. Hsu Hsueh of the Council for Agricultural Planning and Development explained: "Most of the farms in Taiwan are small, and there is no way to use large-scale mechanized farming methods. Therefore the cost of producing soy beans is high, even higher than imports."

After selection, the beans are soaked in water. When the weather is hot, they are soaked for about four hours and when it is cold, for seven or eight. There is no standard time, and beans are soaked until they are judged ready for grinding. Afterward they are made into soy bean milk by boiling and filtering the ground beans.

The next step is the most critical. A catalyst is added to the soy bean milk to make it coagulate — add too much and it turns hard, too little and it will not coagulate. Coagulated soy bean milk is then pressed into molds, forcing out the water; the result is bean curd.



Some useful tips for a healthy glowing face

By Betty Graham

Are you one of those who keep worrying you don't have a healthy fresh-looking face and are prepared to do anything to have one? Then the first thing you should remember is that you should eat well.

If your diet lacks in essential nutrients in sufficient quantities like vitamins, mineral proteins, carbohydrates, fats which rebuild and nourish tissues and help in roughage, it can cause serious problems which may not be bad enough to warrant medical attention but are sure to leave you with spots, dry skin, tiredness, brittle nails and so on.

This is very basic knowledge, and yet it is surprising how forgettable or indifferent we can get due to habits and routines fixed in our everyday life. It's very important for mothers to know these basic facts and practice them in order to have a healthy and happy family. Because of bad dietary habits, we frequently miss out on vital nutrients. Many women go short of iron and feel below par and droopy as a result.

For steady nerves, one needs vitamin B complex (liver, wheatgerm), calcium (milk, cheese, yogurt), magnesium (salads, vegetables) and cobalt (mushroom, liver).

Calcium and magnesium work together as a natural tranquilizer and control stress and insomnia. Milk and milk products are a good source of calcium. Top up your C supplies with citrus fruits, drink pure orange juice for breakfast everyday. According to Sally Ann 'Voak, author of eight books on beauty subjects, a good chart to follow is:

Dairy foods contain protein, vitamin A, vitamin D, and fat. An excellent source of calcium and phosphorus.

Protein is the body-building nutrient, milk a natural tranquilizer. All are good for skin and teeth. Vital during pregnancy.

Eggs, red meat and offal contain iron and the B group of vitamins, copper manganese and zinc. Fish contains iodine and sodium. These are essential for healthy skin, nails, hair, eyes, and for correct balance of nervous energy and body fluids.

Leafy vegetables contain vitamin C, which is easily destroyed by overcooking, roughage, folic acid, vitamin K and iron. Top up your supply when colds are around, especially if you smoke.

All the root vegetables contain carotene, a yellow pigment, which the body uses in manufacture vitamin A and roughage. Carotene is necessary for healthy eyes and you need

more; if you work under fluorescent lights.

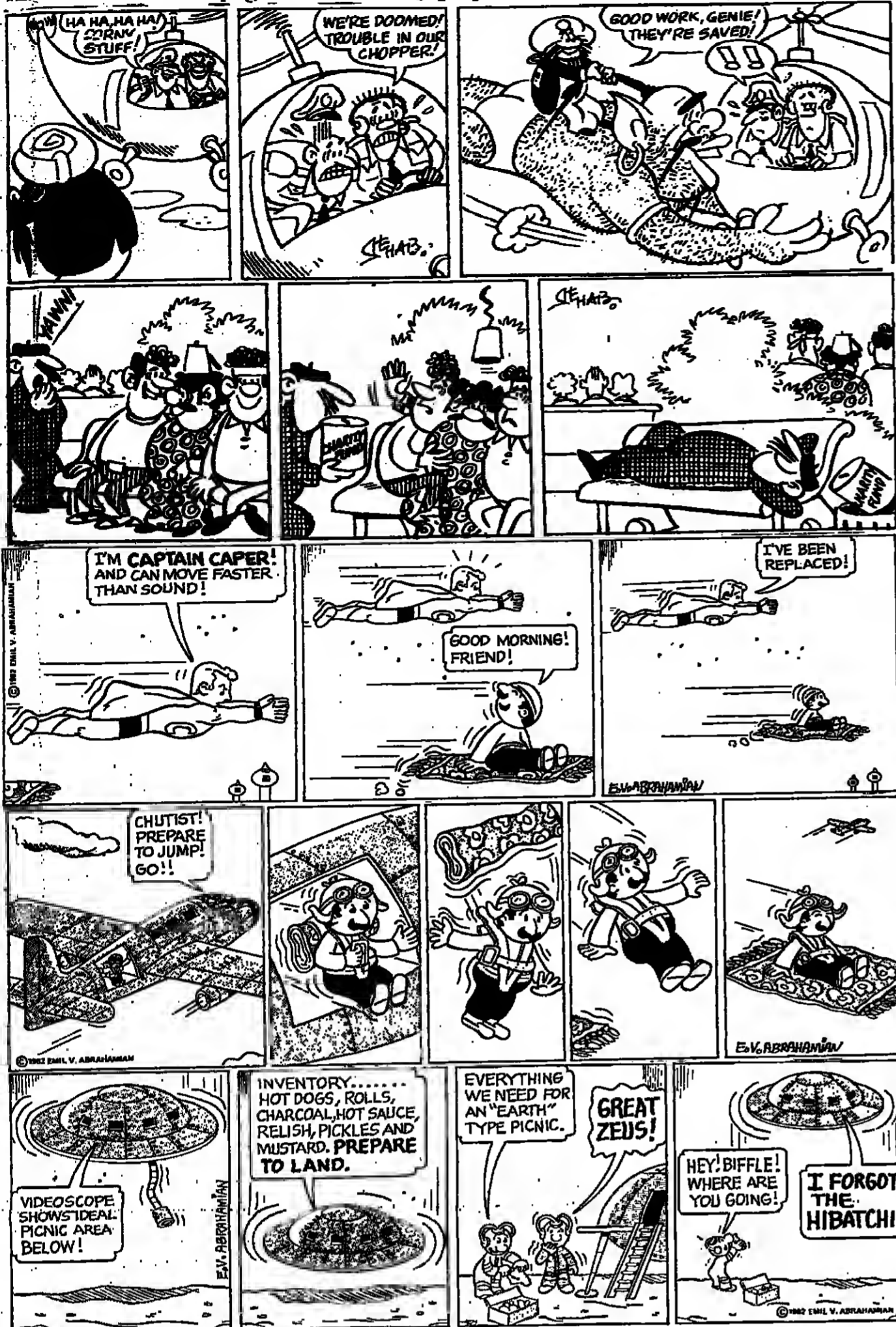
Pulses are high in protein and a good substitute for meat or fish. These also contain sodium, potassium, magnesium, sulphur. Since these are high in calories, slimmers should limit them.

Dried fruits are sources of sulphur, sodium and potassium. Sulphur helps construct body cells. Sodium and potassium jointly help the body's fluid balance.

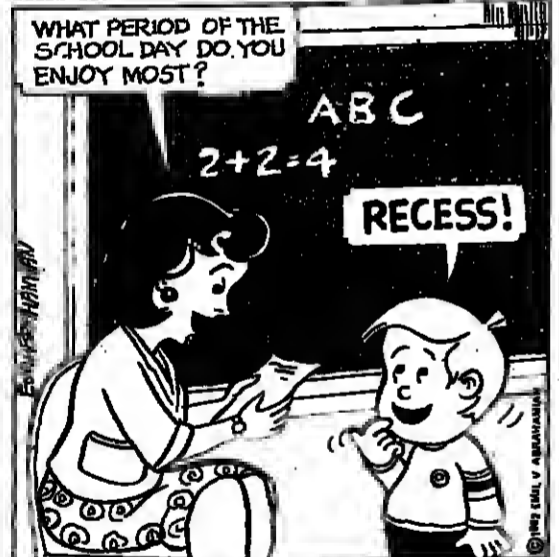
Here are some simple rules for your everyday eating pattern:

1. Eat fresh fruit and lightly cooked vegetables such as greens or carrots every single day. Leave the skin on when possible.
2. Eat a protein food from a fish, vegetable and animal source every three days. You could have cod or herring one day, lentil hot-pot the next, then stew or cauliflower cheese the next to ensure that you get protein from different sources. You do not need meat every single day.
3. Eat some fresh nuts and liver or kidney every week.
4. Drink milk alone or in tea or coffee and plenty of water. Choose fresh, unsweetened fruit and vegetable juices and avoid high carbohydrate squashes and soft drinks.

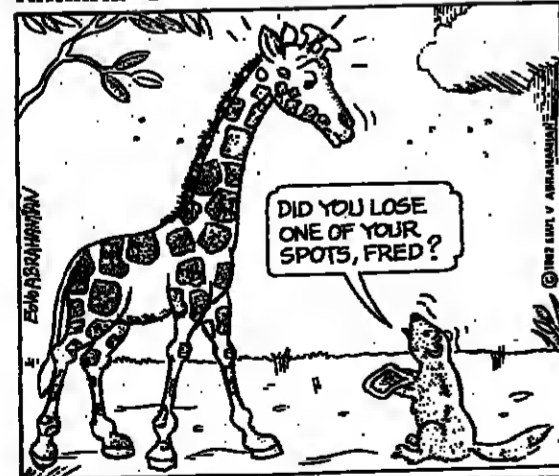
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Your Individual Horoscope

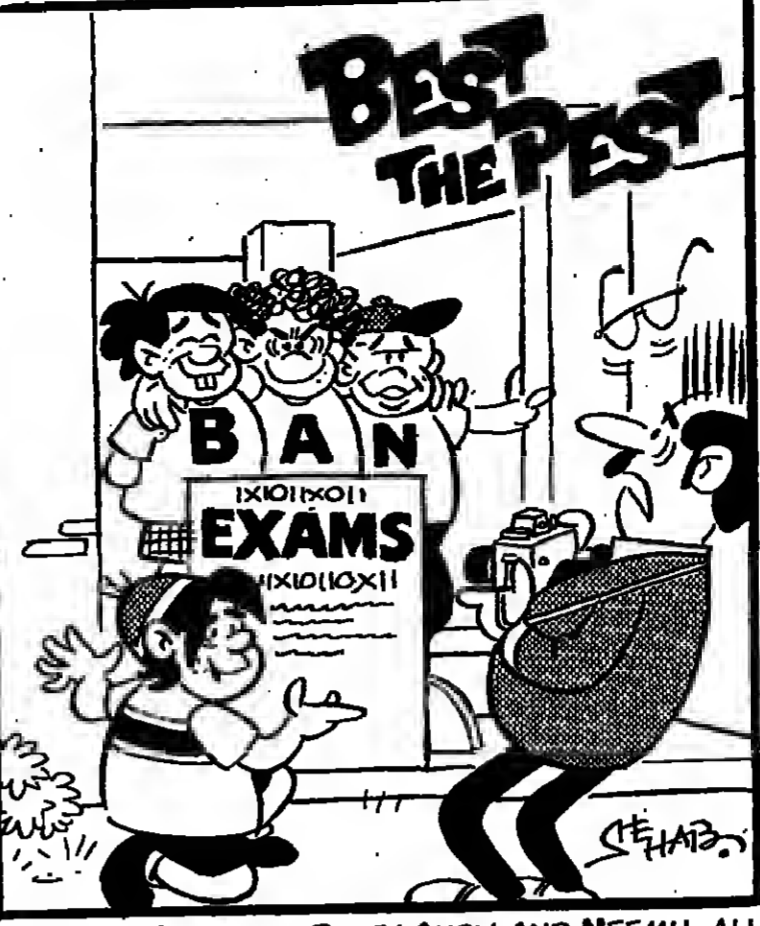
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FOR FRIDAY DECEMBER 31, 1982

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) ♈
You'll find a successful solution to current domestic problems before the day is out. Resist the temptation to lose your temper.
TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉
Be very careful of details regarding financial matters. Don't overlook bills. A close friend has news which will make you happy.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) ♊

A loved one's frivolous attitude towards expenses could anger you, but luckily you'll also have a fine chance to increase your income.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) ♋
A partner may be overly aggressive today, but if you hold your peace, you'll set the stage for enjoying happy evening hours together.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) ♌
Don't let the idiosyncrasies of a co-worker annoy you.

Tonight will be a good time to entertain at home or to visit a loved one.
VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍
Despite a change in plans, you should have a wonderful time in the company of friends this evening. Overlook small irritations.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎
Minor career misunderstandings are likely now, but you should be able to clear things up to your own satisfaction. Luck comes after dark.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏
Unexpected expenses could arise in connection with travel or legal affairs, but by day's end your fortunes will improve considerably.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐

A situation regarding money is not as bad as it appears. You'll be able to rectify mistakes and turn things to your own advantage.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑
Be sure to keep the channels of communication open with loved ones. The small things that get on your nerves aren't really important.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒
You'll encounter plenty of interruptions on the job, but be patient and the day will end on a note of achievement. Higher-ups are helpful.
PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) ♓
Mixing business and pleasure is not recommended. A friend could anger you, but the overall prospects point to increased happiness.



THERE, SIR, I'VE MADE BUNNY, ANDY AND NEEMU ALL SET FOR YOUR SNAPSHOT WITH A MEANING!

Arab News Calendar

Saudi Arabia	Dubai Channel 10
8:30 Opening Ceram	2:00 Holy Quran
9:00 Friday Talk	2:15 Religious Talk
9:30 Cartoons	3:00 Children's Program
9:45 Open Sesame	3:30 World of Sport
10:00 Family Interview	3:45 Children's Film
10:15 Religious Program	4:00 Documentary
10:30 Friday Noon Prayer Live	4:15 Religious Talk
10:45 The Countryside of My	4:30 Local News
11:00 News	4:45 Annular Chub
11:15 From the Press	4:50 Daily Arabic Series
11:30 Events in a Week	5:00 World News
11:45 Cartoons	5:15 Song/Program Preview
12:00 Arabic Series	5:30 Lights on Incidents
12:15 Knowledge and Faith	5:45 15th Arab Feature Film
12:30 Religious Series Song	6:00 Closures
9:30 Arabic News	6:15 Dub Channel 33
9:45 Program Review	6:30 Holy Quran
10:00 Unstated World	6:45 Family Classic Cartoons
10:15 English News	6:50 Local News
10:30 Knowledge and Faith	7:00 Daily Arabic Series
10:45 Arabic Series	7:15 Arabic News
11:00 Unstated World	7:30 Local Live Program
11:15 English News	7:45 Tomorrow's Programs
11:30 Knowledge and Faith	7:55 Daily Arabic Series
11:45 Arabic Series	8:05 Arabic Film
12:00 Unstated World	8:15 News
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12:30 Knowledge and Faith	8:40 American Short Stories
12:45 Arabic Series	8:50 Hawaii Film-O
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Reagan names Scowcroft to head MX team

Economic issues will dominate Europe in '83

There will be a run-up to new parliament elections in Britain with Conservative Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher confident but cautious lest her dominating position erode.

The new Spanish premier, Socialist Felipe Gonzalez, faces the problems of high unemployment, and decisions are awaited on Spain's continued membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the status of Italy's military bases.

Cabinet change rumors float as Lewis resigns

— The White House chief of staff opening

German envoy, Gromyko meet

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (R) — West Germany's ambassador to Moscow met Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko Wednesday for discussions on arms issues, the Soviet news agency Tass said.

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More rains forecast in America

The flooding is the worst in Louisiana in 20 years and the worst in Mississippi in 10, the National Weather Service said. By week's end, forecasters said, floodwaters will move into southwestern Louisiana, where two barges full of rocks intended for roadfill tore loose from their moorings on the swift Calcasieu River Wednesday and battered

Elsewhere, power knocked out by blizzards in the America Midwest that ended Tuesday was restored as the area continued to dig out from under heavy snowfall, some places in subzero temperatures. Unseasonably warm temperatures that have delighted many easterners were wreaking havoc on the New England ski industry, where expensive man-made snow was melting into mud on the slopes.

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